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Cromwell Advertisements

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

FAMILY GROCERS

WINE, SPIRIT, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.

We desire to intimate that in order to meet the growing exigencies of our business, we have lately built substantial stone additions to our former premises.

At the urgent request of our numerous customers, we have added to our other branches of business, that of

DRAPERY, CROCKERY, & IRONMONGERY.

We would further notify that, having engaged a Buyer in connection with our business to select special lines consigned from the Home and Melbourne markets, we will in future be in a position to offer such superior advantages to our customers as will not fail to ensure a continuance of their liberal patronage, and, more especially, will command the attention and confidence of the Trade, Runholders, and Large Buyers.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

Our GROCERY STOCK comprises:

Teas, of excellent flavour, in chests, half-chests, and boxes
Coffee, from the pure bean, ground on the premises
Cocoa, Chocolate, of the best brands
Sugars: crystals of every shade, and crushed loaf
Bacon, Cheese, Butter: weekly supplies from the best dairies
Jams, Jellies, and Pickles

Candles: best brands
Soap: treble crown, blue mottled, household, scented in bars, cakes, and boxes
Vestals, by approved makers
Salt: table, fine, and coarse
Raisins: Muscatels, Sultanas, and Elshes
Oils: salad, castor, and kerosene
Sauces: Lea and Perrins, Mushroom, Nabob, and assorted

TOBACCO.

Imperial, Aromatic, cable-twist—superior
Cameron's celebrated brands—Havelock, Golden Bar, Venus' tens
Barrett's Twist, in quarter-tinners and boxes.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Brandies: Hennessy's, Associated, Vineyard, Martell's, in bulk and case
Whiskies: Old Glenury, Islay, Longjohn's, in bulk and case
Rum: Lemon Hart's
Port: Fine old O'Leary's, six grape
Sherry: Gonzola, six diamond
Gin: JPKZ Geneva, Nectar, and Kummell
Old Tom: Burnett's, Bernard's
Claret: St. Julien's

Moselle: No. 2
Hock: Gold Leaf
Ginger Wine, in bulk and case
Ales: Tychent's, Younger's, and Colonial
Porter: Blood's, Byass's, Guinness's, and Colonial
Cordials: assorted
Sarsaparilla: Singleton's, Townsend's
Bitters: Serner's, Stoughton's

IRONMONGERY STOCK consists of

Blasting powder and fuse
Gunpowder, caps, and shot
Long and short handled shovels
Spades, sluice forks
Picks and pickhandles
Gold dishes, hose-pipes
Drills and drilling hammers
Manilla and flax ropes
White lead, castor, boiled, and colza-oils
Galvanised and corrugated iron
Stoves and piping

Billies and pannikins
Tea-kettles, iron and tin
Galvanised iron buckets and tubs
Iron boilers
Enamelled and tinned stew and saucepans
Axes and axe-handles
Nails, cut and wrought
Tacks, clout and American cut
Garden rakes, hoes, and spades
Cutlery, a large assortment
Carpenters' tools of every description

CANVAS, SADDLERY,

AND BRUSHWARE.

HOLT'S SEWING MACHINES: CABINET AND HAND.

DRAPERY AND CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Suits: silk-mixture, Galatea, Paget, sac
Boys' do.
Trousers and Vests: Mosgiel, silk-mixed, tweed, doeskin
Shirts: white dress, crimeans, Scotch twill, tweed
Pants and undershirts, in flannel, lamb's-wool, merino, and cotton
Hosiery and hats

Dress materials: wineys, French merinos, all-wool plaids, prints
Flannels: Calicos, bleached and unbleached
Blankets, rugs, quilts
Table-covers, bed and toilet-covers
Cocoas and felt matings
Hessian, bed-ticking, carpets
Top, waterproof, and tweed coats; etc., etc.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Boots: men's elastic-sides, watertights, half-Wellingtons; Hayward and North British Gum Boot
Women's and children's Boots, Shoes, and Slippers, in calf, kid, and cashmere.
N.B.—All goods in this department are marked at low prices.

CROCKERYWARE.

Breakfast, dinner, and bedroom sets complete
Lamps: parlour, hanging, bracket

FILTERS, VASES, AND LUSTRES.

FANCY GOODS.

Electro-plated Britannia-metal tea and coffee pots; meerschaum and briar pipes—a choice selection; patent medicines; stationery; perfumery.

COLONIAL PRODUCE: Wheat, Oats, Chaff, Pollard, and Potatoes.

D. A. J. & Co. have been appointed sole agents for the sale of Butel Bros.' superior silk-dressed flour, bran, and pollard; and are prepared to promptly execute all orders within a radius of sixty miles.—FLOUR-GUARANTEED. TERMS LIBERAL.

SHERWOOD AND WRIGHT,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

**WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, AND
General Storekeepers**

MELMORE STREET, CROMWELL.

Having most complete arrangements for the regular consignment of Goods suitable to the market, Sherwood and Wright have pleasure in intimating that they have now on hand, and constantly arriving, full supplies of

**WINES, SPIRITS, PROVISIONS, AND
FAMILY GROCERIES**

of the very best quality obtainable, and which will be found to compare most favorably as to price with those of any establishment on the Goldfields.

The Stock comprises every class of goods in above line, so that it is unnecessary to give a detailed list.

Messrs. Sherwood and Wright have made arrangements for a constant supply of
FLOUR, BRAN, POLLARD, AND GENERAL PRODUCE
of the finest quality from the Wakatipu Mills. In this line the firm can offer special value.

GOODS DELIVERED TO ALL PARTS OF THE DISTRICT.

FAMILIES REGULARLY WAITED UPON.

S. & W. desire specially to state that they have entered into arrangements for the regular supply to them of

DAIRY PRODUCE

from one of the finest farms on the Taieri, an advantage which they feel sure their customers will fully appreciate.

Cromwell Advertisements

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,

WHICH I HAVE ON HAND

THE LARGEST AND BEST-SELECTED STOCK

OF ANY UP-COUNTRY STORE IN

DRAPERY, BOOTS, IRONMONGERY, CROCKERY

WINES AND SPIRITS

SPECIAL ATTENTION DEVOTED TO

MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING,

DIRECT FROM OUR OWN FACTORY.

A LARGE STOCK OF

FURNITURE AND BUILDING MATERIALS

ALWAYS ON HAND.

AGENTS FOR

Robertson & Hallenstein's Celebrated Silk-dressed Wakatipu Flour.

A GOOD SUPPLY OF BRAN, POLLARD, AND PRODUCE OF ALL KINDS ALWAYS ON HAND.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

W. TALBOYS'

REDUCED PRICE LIST OF

WINTER DRAPERY, CLOTHING & C

Winceys, 10d and 1s
Satin Cloths, new shades, 1s 6d
French Merinos, 2s, 2s 6d and 3s
All Wool Plaids, 2s 11d
Fancy Dress, 10s 6d, 12s 6d and 15s
Black Silks, 60s; Colored, 50s (the Dress)
Black and Colored Lustres, 11d and 1s 3d
Costume Cloths, 11d, 1s 3d and 1s 6d
Horrocks' Calico, 5s 9d per doz
Unbleached Calico, 5s 9d per doz
Real Welsh Flannel, 1s 3d and 1s 6d
Colored Flannels in Twill and Plain
White Blankets, 13s 6d per pair
Colored Blankets, 14s—large stock
Sheeting, 72in, 1s 6d
Turkish Towels, 12s per doz
Tweeds, 3s 6d, 4s 6d and 5s 6d
Carpets and Matings, from 1s 4d

Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing in Colonial and English Tweeds and makes
Men's Suits, 37s 6d, 40s and 45s; Pagets, 50s
Trousers and Vests, 17s 6d, 22s 6d and 25s
Trousers, Tweed, 10s 6d, 12s 6d, and 15s
White and Colored Moles, three crown, 9s
Coats, splendid stock new goods, from 17s 6d
Beaver Jackets, 16s 6d
Knit Drawers, 5s 6d, 7s 6d and 8s 6d
Serge Drawers, 7s 6d—Cotton, 3s
Shirts, job lot, at 4s 6d; Crimean, 5s to 10s
Flannels, large sizes, 5s 6d, 6s 6d and 7s 6d
Boys' Knicker Suits, 10s 6d, 15s and 17s 6d
Youths' Suits, 25s, 30s, and 32s 6d
Men's White Embroidered Shirts
Gent's Scarfs in great variety
Large stock Felt Hats, 4s, 5s and 6s 6d
Bed Rugs, large size, 12s 6d

A Large and Varied Stock of New Goods in: Ladies' and Children's Jackets, Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, Gloves, Scarfs, Lace Sets, Hosiery, Ribbons and Trimmings.

TALBOYS' CHEAP GROCERY QUOTATIONS

New Season Tea, (Boxes of 12lb), 23s
Cocoa (pound tins), 1s 6d
Muscatels, 1s 2d per lb
Jordan Almonds, 2s 3d per lb
Elmes, 7d per lb
Lemon Peel, 1s 5d per lb
Two-crown Soap, 12s per box
Three-crown Soap, 14s per box
Dates, 10d per lb
Condensed milk, 1s
Kerosene (Noonday), 12s per tin.

Fresh Herrings, 8d per tin
Lobsters, 11d per tin
Salmon, 11d per tin
Sardines (half-pound tins), 11d
Sardines (quarter-pound tins), 7d
Oysters, 8d per tin
Tainah's Jams, 11d per tin
Figs, 1s per box
Preserved Fruits, 2s
Pickles, 1s per bottle
Candles 11d per lb

ABOVE PRICES ARE STRICTLY CASH.

Men's Elastic Sides, Lace-ups and Watertights, Colonial Made, 14s 6d.

A large stock of Ladies' and Children's Kid Boots (Copper Toes), 4s 6d.

W. TALBOYS, LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

Cromwell

N O T I C E

The following are the days appointed for holding the Resident Magistrate's and Warden's Courts for the combined Goldfields Districts of Dunstan and Wakatipu during the month of November, 1880:—

Monday, 1st—Clyde
Friday, 2nd—Alexandra
Monday, 8th—Queenstown
Tuesday, 9th—Arrowtown
Friday, 12th—Cromwell
Monday, 15th—Clyde and Alexandra
Wednesday, 17th—Roxburgh
Monday, 22nd—Queenstown
Tuesday, 23rd—Arrowtown
Friday, 26th—Cromwell
Monday, 29th—Clyde and Alexandra.

JACKSON KEDDELL,
R.M. and Warden.

Cromwell, October 18, 1880.

MR SPENCE H. TURTON
BARRISTER,
SOLICITOR AND CONVEYANCER
CROMWELL
(TWO DOORS BELOW GOODGER'S HOTEL).

Mr TURTON will visit Alexandra and Blacks every Court day, and Clyde when professionally required.

THOMAS FOOTE,
TAILOR AND CLOTHIER
MELMORE TERRACE,
CROMWELL.

Choice Selection of Tweeds on hand.

K. PRETSCHE,
CROMWELL,
COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,
PAPERHANGER, &c.

Has always on hand a fine selection of Paper hangings, Paints, Glasses, and Mouldings of every description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting,
Paperhanging, Decoration,
and Sign Writing.

E. MURRELL,
WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER,

Has just received, per English Mail, another consignment of **SILVER HUNTING LEVER WATCHES** direct from the



can with confidence recommend them to the public both as regards finish and accuracy of adjustment, and as Time-keepers not to be excelled in the colony.

E.M. has made arrangements for regular supplies, and as he buys for cash he is in a position to defy competition.

A Two Years' Guarantee given with every Watch.

INSPECTION INVITED.

Note the address—

E. MURRELL,
Watch and Clock Maker,
MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

KAWARAU COAL PIT,
BANNOCKBURN.

JOHN PRYDE, Proprietor.

The Coal supplied from above Pit is recognised as the best yet vended in the district. It burns freely, and emits great heat. It is delivered at

Cromwell ... 24s per ton.
Bannockburn ... 20s do.
At Pit's mouth ... 12s do.

FULL WEIGHT GUARANTEED.

JOHN PRYDE,

Proprietor.

COAL! COAL!! COAL!!!
BEST QUALITY IN DISTRICT.

EDWARD M'NULTY, JUNR.,

Having opened the Coal-pit known as M'Laughlin's, and placed same in thorough working order, is prepared to sell this Superior Coal—which burns brightly in stove or grate—at the following prices:—

At Pit's mouth ... 12s per Ton.
Delivered in Cromwell ... 24s per Ton.
Delivered at Bannockburn 20s per Ton.
16 Bags to the Ton!

EDWARD M'NULTY,

Proprietor.

Cromwell

SWAN BREWERY,
CROMWELL.

G. W. GOODGER . . . Proprietor.

The Proprietor is now prepared to supply his unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity, delivered throughout the District.

Orders left at the Commercial Hotel, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

G. W. GOODGER.

NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY

RISKS TAKEN ON THE MOST LIBERAL TERMS.

JAMES MARSHALL,
Melmore-Street, Cromwell.

WANTED KNOWN.

The **SCHOONER NUN** having undergone a THOROUGH REPAIRING, the Owner will place her on easy service with Runholders and Butchers, who may have fat stock to send to market.

All orders for Black Pine and Totara Posts and Rails will receive immediate attention.
Always on hand a large stock of Firewood.

WANAKA SAW-MILLS.

RUSSELL, EWING & CO.,
PROPRIETORS.

The Proprietors have placed the above Mills in complete working order with the best appliances obtainable and are prepared to supply Manufactured Timber of every description; Posts, Rails, Props, Slabs, &c. &c., at the shortest possible notice, at reasonable prices and on easy terms.

Orders punctually attended to and despatched with promptitude.

RUSSELL, EWING & Co.,
WANAKA SAW MILLS.

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND
General

BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,

Begs to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to **QUARTZVILLE,**

where he hopes, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

CROMWELL

VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE,
MELMORE STREET.

ROBERT WISHART,

GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, MACHINIST, &c.

Every description of work in connection with Mining and Farming Tools and Machinery made and repaired on the premises.

Good Workmanship guaranteed at Reasonable Prices.

R. W. begs to intimate to the public generally that he has gone to the expense of fitting up a CAST-IRON BED FOR TIRING WHEELS, being the first introduced up-country; and in this branch he will guarantee to give every satisfaction.

Horses shod on the latest and most-approved principle.

Light shoes ... 10s.
Draught do. ... 16s.

N.B.—A large supply of Slesinger's Horse and Cattle Medicines on hand.

IMPORTANT TO WAGONERS, FARMERS, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

NEW VETERINARY & SHOEING FORGE.

JAMES RICHARDS,

GENERAL BLACKSMITH AND FARRIER,

Having removed to the premises recently occupied by R. Wishart (adjoining Bank of New Zealand), begs to inform the public that he is in a position to execute every class of work in a most satisfactory manner at reasonable prices.

In the Veterinary and Shoeing Department the advertiser has considerable experience, and in these branches can guarantee to suit those who favor him with their patronage.

Horses carefully and skilfully treated for all complaints.

Note the Address—

MELMORE STREET, CROMWELL,
Adjoining the Bank of New Zealand.

Miscellaneous.

VINCENT FLOUR MILL,
OPHIR.

J. C. JONES

Begs to inform the inhabitants of the surrounding districts that, having now completed the above Flour Mill, which he has fitted up with machinery on the most improved principle, he is prepared to supply

SILK-DRESSED FLOUR
of the best quality; also, Bran and Pollard.

Gristing at Current Rates.

J. C. JONES.

WAKATIP FLOUR & OATMEAL
MILLS, LAKE HAYES.

ROBERT GILMOUR - PROPRIETOR.

The Proprietor begs to announce to the public that, owing to the increased demand for Oatmeal, he has now completed considerable improvements on his oatmeal machinery, and is prepared to supply a first-class article at a most reasonable rate.

R.G.'s Mill being under the management of a Miller of wide experience, the public can depend upon a Constant Supply of Flour of the best quality, and can offer it at as cheap a rate and upon as reasonable terms as any in the district.

ROBERT GILMOUR.

N O T I C E

POISON is laid on Morven Hills Station for the Destruction of Rabbits.

Persons removing stock from the run will be prosecuted.

October 11, 1880. **A. M'PHAIL,**
Manager.

N O T I C E

On and after this date, **POISON** will be LAID for DOGS and RABBITS on Mount Pisa and Queensberry Runs.

H. F. WILLMOTT,
Manager.

Mount Pisa Station, April 2, 1880.

N O T I C E

A number of useless Curs are allowed to prowl about on Kawarau Station by their owners. This is to give them warning that **POISON** will be laid wherever they are most likely to get it.

JAMES COWAN.

October, 1877.

IRON PIPING! IRON PIPING!!

CANVAS AND WOODEN FLUMING SUPERSEDED!

GEORGE PRESCOTT,

ST. BATHANS,

Begs to intimate to Proprietors and Mine Managers that he is now Manufacturing

IRON PIPING

(SUITABLE FOR SLOPING AND OTHER PURPOSES) At a cost which will compare favorably with Dunedin prices, while his practical knowledge of Miners' requirements enables him to furnish a more suitable article than that imported.

Pipes made any length convenient for packing, and sent to any part of the country according to agreement.

G. P. would wish to draw the attention of Proprietors and Managers of Hydraulic-worked Mines to the utility and economy of the **WATER DIRECTOR** with the Ball and Socket Joint, which can be attached to the Iron Piping, thus altogether dispensing with canvas hose; and, with full pressure on, a child of ten years can move it any direction.

Note the Address—

GEORGE PRESCOTT
ST. BATHANS.

TO FARMERS AND OTHERS.

The undersigned have FOR SALE Vegetable, Flower, and Agricultural Seeds:—

White Clover
Red Clover
Alsike
Cow Grass
Timothy, &c., &c.,
Rape Seed, and Mangold
Turnip Seed, imported and colonial grown.

DON'T USE DIRTY SEED!

We have, at considerable expense, imported a **SEED CLEANING MACHINE**, and farmers can have machine cleaned grass seed.

SHEEP NETS, WOOLPACKS, AND CORNSACKS.

400galls. Iron Tanks; Rock Salt; Bluestone; Fencing Wires, No. 6 to 10, cheaper than ever; Cambridge Rollers; Fanners; Cahoon's Hand Broadcast Sowing Machines; Mitchell's Grain and Grass Sowing Machines, for sowing turnipseed broadcast—it is acknowledged that an immense saving can be made by using them.

W. G. Murray and Co.'s Double Furrow Ploughs—cheap. Only two to sell—price, £7 10s each.

We are Agents for Nicholson's Reaper, and have some extras on hand.

We are Agents for N. Forsythe and Co.'s Rope. Supplies on hand.

NIMMO AND BLAIR,
CUSTOMS & GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS.

PRINCES-STREET, SOUTH DUNEDIN.

Miscellaneous.

P. BUTEL & CO.'S
FLOUR MILLS,
NEAR ARROWTOWN,

Supply First-class
SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN AND POLLARD.

GRISTING DONE AT CURRENT RATES.

Country orders executed with care and dispatch. An excellent sample of flour guaranteed—cannot be excelled in the Colony.

R. AND A. J. PARK,
SURVEYORS, LAND AGENTS,
SHARE AND MONEY BROKERS,
SAVINGS BANK BUILDINGS,
HIGH-STREET, DUNEDIN.

Land Office business transacted.

MONEY TO LEND AT CURRENT RATES.

CENTRAL REGISTRY OFFICE.

E. LYONS begs to notify the inhabitants of Cromwell and District that he has OPENED a REGISTRY OFFICE in conjunction with his Fruiterer's Business in Dunedin.

Hotelkeepers, station owners and others can rely upon obtaining suitable Servants of every description.

E. LYONS

(Late J. B. L. Luks),

COMMISSION, LAND & ESTATE AGENT,
GEORGE-STREET, DUNEDIN.

NOBEL'S PATENT DYNAMITE.

DALGETY AND CO.,

Agents for the above Dynamite, beg to call the attention of Contractors, Miners and others, to the great strength of Dynamite, compared with other explosives as shown below:—

Blasting Gelatine, 100.00, Nobel's patent.
Nitro Glycerine, 93.36

No. 1 Dynamite, 75.11, Nobel's patent

Lithofractor of the strongest and best make, 65.69.

The price of Nobel's Dynamite, notwithstanding its greater strength and purity, does not exceed even that of Lithofractor, viz:—

1 Case 50 lbs, 2s 9d per lb

5 " 2s 6d "

10 " 2s 3d "

Delivery to be taken from Magazine.

DALGETY AND CO.,

Bond-street, Dunedin.

N.B.—Supplies may be obtained from

D. A. JOLLY & CO., Cromwell.

W. JENKINS, Arrowtown.

THE AUSTRALIAN LITHOFRACTEUR AND DYNAMITE CO.
(KREBS' PATENT.)

ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.,

Having accepted the above Company's Agency for New Zealand, direct the attention of Railway and other Contractors, Miners, and Quarrymen to the enormous advantages derived from the use of these **STRONGEST EXPLOSIVES MANUFACTURED.**

For Mining, Quarrying, Blasting in hard or soft rock, and for Submarine Works (Krebs' Patent being the only manufacture insoluble) it is invaluable.

The SUPERIOR STRENGTH of these COLONIAL EXPLOSIVES has been proved by experts to be 15 to 20 per cent. stronger than any imported Dynamite, while the present price renders it cheaper than blasting powder.

Price—1 case, 2s 9d per lb.

5 " 2s 6d "

10 " 2s 3d "

Delivery from magazine payable by purchaser.

ARTHUR BRISCOE & CO.,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL IRONMONGERS AND
IRON MERCHANTS,
PRINCES-STREET, DUNEDIN.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

The PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing at Dunedin between the undersigned in the business of Engineers and Iron Founders, under the firm of "Kincaid, M'Queen and Co.," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued under the same style by the undersigned **CHARLES M'QUEEN**, who will discharge all the liabilities of the firm, and receive all moneys due.

Dated this 1st day of May, 1880.

JAMES KINCAID
CHARLES M'QUEEN.

Witness:

ROBERT DICK, Solicitor, Dunedin.

With reference to the above, I beg to thank the numerous customers of the Firm for the liberal support that has been accorded during the past 18 years, and to express a hope that I shall retain the confidence that has been bestowed hitherto.

CHARLES M'QUEEN.

Hotels.

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,
BANNOCKBURN.

GEORGE MANSON, PROPRIETOR.

Having leased the above hotel from Mr. Peake, the undersigned has completely renovated the premises, and effected such improvements as were necessary for the entire comfort and convenience of the public, rendering the house one of the best in the district.

THE PUBLIC HALL

Attached to the Hotel has also been fitted up for meetings, entertainments, &c.

Also the prize Billiard Table and commodious room, supplied with every requirement.

Wines, Spirits and Beer of best brands and brew.

GEORGE MANSON, Proprietor.

VICTORIA BRIDGE HOTEL

J. M'CONNICK, Proprietor.

The above well-known Hotel (late Edwards') has undergone a thorough renovation at the hands of the present proprietor, and is now second to no house on the main road from Cromwell to Queenstown.

Travellers may rest assured that they will receive every attention at the above Hotel.

The excellent range of STONE STABLES is under the charge of an experienced Groom. Horses will therefore secure every attention.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,

(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.

VICTORIA HOTEL
CROMWELL.

JAMES STUART,

(Late of the Ferry Hotel, Bannockburn.) Begs to intimate to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by keeping the best Wines and Spirits, to merit a share of public patronage.

A first-class table kept, and superior eight-stall stone stable, replete with every convenience for Travellers. Unsurpassed in the District.

N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Court-house.

CRITERION HOTEL,
ALEXANDRA.

HENRY TOHILL, Proprietor.

H. Tohill begs to inform the Travelling Public that this Hotel possesses every convenience, and trusts, by strict attention to the comfort of Travellers and the Public generally, to merit their patronage.

PRIVATE PARLOR AND BEDROOMS.

Large and commodious Billiard Room and Alcock's Prize Table.

THE BEST OF WINES, SPIRITS AND BEER ONLY KEPT.

The Culinary Department Specially attended to.

GOOD STABLING.

PORT PHILIP HOTEL,
SUNDERLAND STREET, CLYDE.

JOHN COX, Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation; and J. C. begs to inform the Travelling Public that, to suit the times, he has determined on reducing the charges, which, from date, will be as follows:—

Stabling, per night	6s
Single Feed	2s
Meals and Bed, each	2s
Board and Lodging, per week	30s
Board only	20s

The Stables attached to the Hotel comprise, besides Stalls, Eight Loose Boxes. An efficient Groom always in attendance, and only the best of Provender kept.

Cobb and Co's. coaches arrive and depart from this Hotel.

THE BEST BRANDS OF SPIRITS, WINES, AND BEERS.

N.B.—A Private Cottage for Families, containing all the comforts of a home.

Hotels.

JOHN MARSH,
BRIDGE HOTEL, CROMWELL.

VALUE FOR MONEY.

GLOBE HOTEL,
CROMWELL

(Junction of Malmore and Erris-streets).

D. MURLEY, PROPRIETOR.

D. Murley has pleasure in intimating to his friends and the public generally that he has fitted up the Globe Hotel with every convenience and comfort, without regard to expense; and can confidently assure those who favor the house with their patronage that no effort will be spared to meet their wants.

Travellers will find the Globe a most comfortable home, with ample accommodation.

The Stabling is commodious, and the greatest care and attention will be bestowed on travellers' horses.

The Proprietor intends to make a speciality of his stock of Wines, Spirits and Beers—none but the best brands of which will be kept on the premises.

MOUNT PISA HOTEL,
WANAKA ROAD.

T. H. BYRON, Proprietor.

The above Hotel affords ample accommodation for travellers, and the Stabling is carefully attended to.

Best Brands of Wines, Spirits, and Beer.

BALLARAT HOTEL,
ARROWTOWN.

Mrs G. B. BOND, Proprietress.

The above Hotel is replete with every convenience and comfort, rendering it eminently suitable for the travelling public, while permanent boarders will find all the comforts of a home.

FIRST-CLASS STABLING
Efficiently managed.

Prize Billiard Table, with all accessories and careful attendance.

HAWEA HOTEL,
HAWEA FLAT.

O. G. HARVEY, Proprietor.

Above Hotel is situated within easy distance of the beautiful Lake Hawea, and will be found convenient as a place of call for the travelling public.

Wines, Spirits and Beer of the Best Brands.

The Stabling is good, and travellers are assured their horses will receive every care.

PANAMA HOTEL AND STORE,

RICHARD CAYFORD, Proprietor.

R. Cayford begs to intimate that he has opened an Hotel and Provision Store on the new diggings at Long Valley, and solicits the patronage of the public.

Good Accommodation for travellers.

None but Liquors of the Best Brands kept.

Cromwell

FREE TRADE BUTCHERY.

(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS, PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

*Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.

R. AND W. OLDS,
FAMILY BUTCHERS,

MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

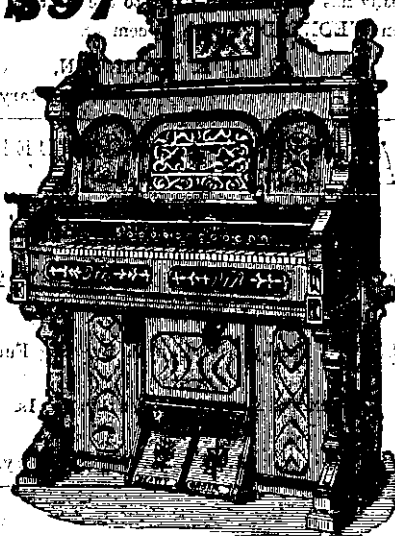
In thanking householders of the town and district of Cromwell for the liberal patronage conferred upon them since starting business, desire to say that they have entered into such arrangements as will enable them to continue to supply their Customers with Beef, Mutton, Pork and other articles in the trade of the very best quality.

SMALL GOODS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Families and Hotels waited upon daily.

BEATTY

A 13 Stop Organ ONLY \$97



BEATTY ORGAN Style No. 2100.

A beautiful Celtic style of architecture in this case strikes the eye of the connoisseur, and stamps it as one of the most beautiful case organs. Dimensions: Height, 74 in.; Width, 48 in.; Depth, 24 in. 8 Sets of Reeds, 5 Octaves, 13 Stops. French Veneered Pannelled Cases highly finished. Beatty's Improved Knees Well, and Beatty's new Excelsior Grand Organ Knees Well. The mechanism, design, and music in an Organ renders it the most desirable ever before manufactured for the parlor or drawing-room. Retail price asked for such an instrument by Agents, three years ago about \$370.00. My offer, Only \$197. Pay for the instrument only after you have fully tested it at your own home. It is not a request, return at my expense, I paying freight both ways. Remember, this offer is at the very lowest figure, and that I positively will not deviate from this price. Fully warranted for 6 years. Every Organ sold, sells others. At the most successful houses in America. Most unsolicited testimonials than any manufacturer. I have extended my sales now over the entire world. The same shines as where but it lights my instruments. Since my recent return from an extended tour through the Continent of Europe, I am more determined than ever that no city or town throughout the entire civilized world shall be unrepresented by my celebrated instruments.

BEATTY PIANO \$125, \$135, \$145 and upwards. Beware of imitations! Having recently been

ELECTED MAYOR of my own city, should be sufficient proof of my responsibility. Illustrated Newspaper giving information about cost of Pianos and Organs sent free. Address: DANIEL F. BEATTY, Washington, New Jersey.

THE CROMWELL BAKERY.
J. SCOTT,
BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,
MELMORE-STREET, CROMWELL.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

TO THE PUBLIC OF CROMWELL
AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS.

MICHAEL DALEY,
BOOT AND SHOEMAKER,

Begs to inform the Inhabitants of Cromwell and Surrounding Districts that he has PURCHASED the STOCK-IN-TRADE of the late W. Taylor, and hopes for a continuance of the same liberal patronage enjoyed by the late firm.

All Orders and Repairs carefully and punctually attended to.

Note the Address—

MELMORE TERRACE, CROMWELL
(Opposite Talboys' London House, Drapery Establishment).

MEDICAL HALL DISPENSARY,
MELMORE TERRACE,
CROMWELL.

HENRY HOTOP,

Having purchased the Business lately conducted by Mr Max. Gall, begs to inform the residents of Cromwell, Clyde and the surrounding districts that he is now the only Dispensing Chemist in Vincent County, and that, to meet the requirements of his business, he has supplied himself with a Large Stock of

DRUGS, CHEMICALS & PATENT MEDICINES

Of every description.

In connection with the above, H. Hotop has also a most varied and choice

Stock of

FANCY GOODS, PERFUMERY,

SOAPS, COSMETICS, SCENTS,

&c., &c., &c.

That will well repay a visit of inspection.

STATIONERY & BOOKS.

Ledgers, Journals, Day and Minute Books,

Writing Paper and Envelopes

of all classes.

GENERAL NEWS AGENCY.

English, European and American Newspapers

and Journals supplied to Subscribers

at low rates, and sent post free all over the

country.

TOBACCOS & CIGARS

(Choice Brands).

N.B.—As the business will be conducted under the immediate supervision of Mr H. Hotop, all those who may favor him with their command may rely on every attention being paid them.

Prescriptions most carefully dispensed.

Orders received from the Clyde portion of the district will be promptly attended to.

HENRY HOTOP,
Cromwell

J. SOLOMON

IS NOW DISPLAYING HIS

NEW STOCK

OF

SPRING & SUMMER

DRAPERY, CLOTHING

AND BOOTS.

Personally selected by himself in Dunedin, and purchased, a bargain, for Cash. Consequently he is in a position to Sell Cheaper than any other house in Cromwell.

HE MEANS SELLING CHEAPER THAN EVER THIS SEASON!

SPLENDID ASSORTMENT

Ladies' and Children's Trimmed Hats

Ladies' and Children's Jackets

Ladies' Fichus and Capes

Ladies' and Maids' Print Wrappers

Ladies' Underclothing

Collars and Cuffs

Pompadour Scarfs

Muslin Frillings

And the finest Assortment of

LADIES' COSTUMES

(ALL COLORS)

That ever came into Cromwell!

A VERY LARGE VARIETY OF
PRINTS, MUSLINS

AND

DRESS MATERIAL

Suitable for the Summer Season.

AN IMMENSE VARIETY OF

NEW GOODS,
SUITABLE FOR THE SEASON!!

LARGE STOCK OF

MEN'S YOUTHS' & BOYS' CLOTHING.

Flannels, Pants, Half-hose, Hats,

Ties, Scarfs, &c., &c.

The Largest and Best-assorted

STOCK OF BOOTS

In the district. For Ladies', Gentlemen's,

Youths, Maids' and Children's, and for price,

J. S. DEFIES COMPETITION!

SADDLES BRIDLES

SADDLE STRAPS MARTINGALES

WHIPS SPURS VALISES.

FANCY GOODS

PATENT MEDICINES

BOOKS—LARGE ASSORTMENT

AND JEWELRY.

J. S. has the name for selling Cheaper than any Storekeeper in the district.

He trusts the Public will favor him

with a call, and prove the fact.

DON'T FORGET THE ADDRESS:

J. SOLOMON,
OPPOSITE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

LOOK OUT!

FOR

O. CUMMINS.

He will visit the Surrounding Districts regularly with a first-class assorted Stock of Drapery, Clothing, Boots, Fancy Goods, &c., and his instructions are to Sell Cheap.

J.S. trusts the public will give him a share of their patronage.

AGENT FOR

ARNOLD R. KELSEY & CO.

Importers of every description of

MUSIC AND MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Dunedin.

Large stock of Music always on hand.

Pianofortes and Harmoniums sold on

TIME PAYMENTS.

SPORTS! SPORTS!! SPORTS!!!
MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

AT BANNOCKBURN.

Particulars in Future Issue.
CHARLES ANGEL.PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
SPORTS!

The ANNUAL SPORTS will be held at QUARTZVILLE on MONDAY, December 27, 1880. Particulars in future issue.

JAMES LAWRENCE.

FARM FOR SALE.

I have FOR SALE an Excellent Agricultural Lease SECTION in TARRAS DISTRICT, with Fences and other Improvements.

Will be sold with or without Stock.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,

Agent.

BOOKS! BOOKS!! BOOKS!!!
—GOOD AND CHEAP—

W. COWPER,

From Bible Society, will be IN CROMWELL FOR A WEEK, From Tuesday, (the 23rd of November.

Sent Post Free in an Envelope for 4d Stamps to defray Postage.

THE BOTANIC TREATMENT for all Nervous Disorders, which unfit Sufferers for marriage, &c., &c.; also Consumption, Chronic Disease of the Chest, Stomach, Liver and Epilepsy.

Address— R. T. SELBY, Medical Herbalist, John-street, Waterloo, Sydney.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

A GIFT AUCTION

In aid of the Funds of

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, CROMWELL,

Will be held about

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY TIME.

The assistance of the public is earnestly solicited.

W. T. TALBOYS,

Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE.

TO THE RESIDENTS OF BANNOCKBURN DISTRICT.

WILLIAM BENNETT,

STOREKEEPER, &c., QUARTZVILLE, Desires to return his sincere thanks for the patronage bestowed upon him during past years, and begs to inform his customers and the public that he will continue to use his best endeavors to afford satisfaction in the future.

NOTICE.

All ACCOUNTS due to the undersigned must be paid or satisfactorily arranged for before the 1st January, 1881, otherwise they will, without fail, be placed in the hands of a solicitor for collection.

W. BENNETT.

November 8, 1880.



CROMWELL DERBY, 1880.

C. M'KENNA'S

CONSULTATION

ON ABOVE EVENT IS NOW OPEN.

200 Subscribers at £1 Each.

First Prize	£80
Second Prize	40
Third Prize	25
Starters (Divided)	45
Non-Starters (Divided)	30

The Drawing will take place under the supervision of a Committee of responsible subscribers present, immediately on the subscription list being closed, and the result published in The CROMWELL ARGUS.

Subscribers residing at a distance are requested to make early application to prevent disappointment.

Tickets obtainable at M'Kenna's Golden Age Hotel, and Agents Office, Cromwell, and from agents in surrounding centres.

CHARLES M'KENNA,

Treasurer.

BANNOCKBURN CO-OPERATIVE STORE COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

A CALL of 2s 6d per Share in above Company has been made payable to the undersigned on WEDNESDAY, 8th December.

J. E. THOMPSON,

Secretary.

A SOIREE AND CONCERT

Will be held in the

SCHOOL-HOUSE, BANNOCKBURN,

On

FRIDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 26,

In aid of the

Cromwell Presbyterian Church Building Fund.

TICKETS: ADULTS, 3s; CHILDREN, 1s.

A. C. AUGUR, Secretary.



LOYAL CROMWELL LODGE, M. U. I. O. O. F.

A SUMMONED MEETING will be held on FRIDAY Evening, 26th inst., at 7.30.

Business: Amendment of By-laws &c dates of holding meetings.

CHAS. RAY,

Secretary.

CROMWELL ATHENÆUM.

The ANNUAL MEETING of Subscribers to the above Institution will be held in the Town Hall, at 8.30 p.m., on THURSDAY, November 25th.

Business: To receive Report and Balance Sheet, Elect Committee for ensuing year.

W. T. WARD,

Hon. Secretary.

CROMWELL ATHENÆUM

October 26, 1880.

To the Secretary Cromwell Athenæum.

SIR,

We, the undersigned, Subscribers to the Cromwell Athenæum, request that a special meeting be convened in accordance with Rule 6 of Regulations of Cromwell Athenæum, for the purpose of validating negotiations for advance made by Mr J. Richards.

C. A. Stacpoole T. Russell
D. MacKellar C. Colclough
E. Murrell S. M. Dalgliesh
T. M. Wright

In accordance with the above Requisition, a SPECIAL MEETING to be held in the Town Hall, is hereby convened for THURSDAY, 25th November, at 8 p.m.

W. T. WARD,

Hon. Secretary Cromwell Athenæum.

CROMWELL POUND.

IMPOUNDED by Mr J. S. Dickie, Ranger, on November 4th,

- 1 red and white Heifer branded HC off rump
- 1 roan Steer, branded HC off rump
- 1 red Heifer, white spot on ribs, branded like JA (conjoined) near rump
- 1 roan yearling Bull, no visible brands
- 1 red poley Cow, star on forehead, no visible brands
- 1 red and white Cow and Calf no visible brands
- 1 red and white Cow branded like N off rump, top off ear
- 1 red and white Steer, no visible brands
- 1 white Steer, blotch brand off rump
- 1 red and white Steer, no visible brand
- 1 red Steer, branded CD off thigh
- 1 chestnut Horse, branded like 5 off neck, white face, off hind foot white
- 1 bay Horse branded MPT off shoulder, near fore and hind feet white, star on forehead

For which 7s per head is claimed on all cattle not registered up to 30th September, 1880, and all cattle registered up to 30th September, 1880, will be charged 2s per head driving expenses only, by order Mr J. S. Dickie, Ranger. And in default of being released, the aforesaid cattle will be SOLD on TUESDAY, 30th November, 1880, at the Cromwell Pound.

ROBERT RIDD,

Poundkeeper.

TO THE RATEPAYERS OF THE BOROUGH OF CROMWELL.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—

On the occasion of Mr Colclough and myself addressing the Burgesses in the Athenæum Hall last week, my opponent rested his chief objection to my candidature on the fact of my connection with the local newspaper. To strengthen his position, Mr Colclough made certain statements regarding my business relations with the Corporation which are utterly untrue and calculated to mislead. He asserted that during my previous term as Mayor I had received from the Council for printing and advertising the sum of £119, as against £72 paid during his two years' administration. This statement Mr Colclough tries to make a leading objection to my election, and notwithstanding the evidence of the Borough records to the inaccuracy of his figures, he persists in misrepresentation. He also affirmed that I had been paid £32 for Borough by-laws, whereas they cost not one-half of that—and this too is known by Mr Colclough. It should be added that the By-laws were printed under the present Mayor's instructions, and not during my term of office. For the truth of these statements I refer you to the Borough records and the Town Clerk, Mr Marshall.

At the public meeting I did not remark on my opponent's false statements, preferring to bring the truth under your notice in a way that cannot be gainsaid. A perusal of the certified statement attached will at once show forth the unworthy means adopted to prejudice my candidature in the eyes of my fellow-citizens.

Yours obediently,

S. N. BROWN.

Cromwell, Nov. 22.

At the request of Mr S. N. Brown, we, the undersigned, have examined his books in the matter of Corporation advertising and printing accounts during the respective Mayoralties of Messrs Brown and Colclough, and find as under:

MR BROWN'S TERM OF OFFICE:

From 24th July, 1877, to 28th November, 1879 ... £62 2 6

MR COLCLOUGH'S TERM:

From 28th November, 1878, to November 2, 1880... 113 17 0

And the item paid, July 24, 1879, for two publications of By-laws and printing 100 copies thereof was ... £15 0 0

JOHN A. PRESNAW.

P. L. DIGNAN.

Cromwell, November 22, 1880.

NOTWITHSTANDING an assurance given me by Mr Brown that he would not use THE ARGUS to damage me or favor his candidature, I am assured he intends publishing a statement from his private cash book to controvert my statements of the sums he received from the Corporation. My authority is the Corporation cash book.

Total amount received by Mr Brown from his taking office to the payment of Bye-laws brought into the Council by him ... £119 6 6
Total amount paid since ... 72 7 0

£191 13 6

Mr Brown did not get paid for the Bye-laws £33 19 for several months after I took office, but it was work undertaken during his term.

I have the dates and items by me for reference.

His time was 17 months; mine two years.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH.

P.S.—My necessary absence at the County Council on polling day must be my apology for what might otherwise be made an occasion for remark.

MAYORAL ELECTION.
TO THE BURGESSES OF CROMWELL.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I am a Candidate for the honor of representing you in the office of Mayor for the ensuing year, and if my actions in the past meet your approval, I respectfully solicit your votes at the Poll on Wednesday, 24th inst.

I am, &c.,

Your obedient servant,

CHARLES COLCLOUGH.

BOROUGH OF CROMWELL.
ANNUAL ELECTION OF COUNCILLOR.

EXTRAORDINARY VACANCY.

NOMINATIONS for the office of Councillor for BRIDGE WARD will take place at the Council Chambers, at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of December.

Dated at Cromwell this 22nd day of November, 1880.

JAS. MARSHALL,

Returning Officer for Bridge Ward.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

In pursuance of the 14th Section of the Licensing Act, 1873, Amendment Act, 1874, I hereby Give Notice that the Quarterly LICENSING MEETING for the Districts of Cromwell Town and Cromwell District will be held on TUESDAY, the 7th day of December, 1880, in the Court-house, Cromwell, at the hour of Noon for the purpose of taking into consideration all Applications for Certificates for such Licenses as are authorised to be granted at the said Meeting of the Licensing Court, and the Transfer or Renewal or Removal of Licenses, of which due notice shall be given to me, for the aforesaid district in which the premises in respect of which the application is made are situated respectively.

S. MEAD DALGLIESH,

Clerk to Licensing Court.

Office of Clerk to Licensing Court, Cromwell, November 1st, 1880.

NOTICE.

In pursuance of the 14th Section of the Licensing Act 1873, Amendment Act, 1874, I hereby Give Notice that the Quarterly LICENSING MEETING for the District of Cardrona will be held on TUESDAY, the 7th day of December, 1880, at Pembroke at the hour of Noon, for the purpose of taking into consideration all Applications for Certificates for such Licenses as are authorised to be granted at the said meeting of the Licensing Court, and the Transfer or Renewal or Removal of Licenses, of which due notice shall be given to me, for the aforesaid district in which the premises in respect of which the application is made are situated respectively.

JAMES FLEMING,

Clerk to Licensing Court.

Office of Clerk to Licensing Court, Arrowtown, November 1st, 1880.

POSTAL NOTICE.

The next outward 'Frisco mail will close here at Noon on Wednesday, December 1st.

W. T. WARD, Postmaster.

DEATH.

At Bannockburn, on 16th instant, the eldest son of Geo. Manson, aged 74 years. Australian papers please copy.

Cromwell Argus,

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1880.

SPECIAL TELEGRAPHIC.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

DUNEDIN,

This Day, 11.18 a.m.

In the Mayoral election, which takes place to-morrow, the contest is entirely personal. Ross has astonished his best acquaintances by the virulence of his personal attacks on Fish, who also is an adept at personalities. Fish is thought to have the best show.

At a meeting of railway workshopen last night it was agreed to interview Oliver to protest against the removal of all railway work from Dunedin to Christchurch.

The Jockey Club invite tenders for two totalisators at the spring meeting. The totalisator is now established as a permanent institution in Dunedin. It is open on everything, from the Mayoral election to the Hop Bitters Aquatic Contest at Home.

There was a very sudden death at Port Chalmers on Sunday evening. Thomas Davis was sitting in a chair when he suddenly threw up his hands and fell back unconscious. He died in a few minutes. Cause, disease of the heart.

For the spring races only Milo was scratched for the hurdles. The acceptors in St. Andrew's Handicap are: Le Loup, Volunteer, Libeller, and Atlantic. For Spring Handicap: Dolly Boy, Randwick, Adamant, Hilarious, Dolly Barwon, Clarence, Sir William, and Vandura.

At Oamaru on Saturday a man was arrested for having burglars' tools on him. He got two months.

A New Plymouth telegram says that the Hon. Messrs Bryce and Rolleston had a narrow escape from being killed on Sunday whilst being driven from the camp at Opunake in an express. While descending a hill the brake gave way and the express went down the hill with a run into the river. Rolleston was thrown amongst the horses, and Bryce got somehow under the drag into the water. Fortunately they were not injured, and procured horses and proceeded on their journey.

Sir George Grey's health is greatly improved.

Mr W. P. Gudgeon was presented with a piece of silver plate by his Ponsenby friends on the occasion of his transfer from the Thames branch of the Colonial Bank. A beautiful silver boquet-holder was presented to Mrs Gudgeon.

GRAHAMSTOWN, November 22.
To give some idea of the distance of the Te Aroha new goldfield from Grahamstown, a newspaper representative rode there yesterday in four hours and a quarter. There are 100 men camped on the ground, and stores and business places are going up. The opinion of the majority of miners is that the district is worth prospecting. On the day of opening a disturbance is contemplated, and parties are already formed to prevent others from pegging out favorite pieces of ground. Detachments of police have been warned to be in readiness to proceed to Te Aroha. Gold is said to have been discovered two miles each side of the prospectors' claim.

LATEST BY CABLE

London, November 20.

In the Hop Bitters Company regatta, the final heat resulted as follows:—Laycock, (£500) 1; Wallace Ross, (£200) 2; Hosmer, (£140) 3; Smith, (£60) 4. Laycock has challenged Hanlan for the championship.

The ship *Amberly Maid* from London to Port Chalmers, which went ashore at Kings-town, is badly strained. It is expected most of her cargo will be saved.

November 22.

Owing to the influence of the Right Hon. Mr Gladstone the Cabinet is again re-united. It is therefore not expected a winter session of Parliament will be held.

Five arrests have been made at Loughrea, Ireland, for attempts at reinstating a tenant. Obituary: Field-Marshal Sir Charles Yorke, High-Constable of the Tower of London. Sir Alexander Cockburn, Lord Chief Justice of England.

PARIS, November 20.

Cherbourg, which suffered so severely last month by heavy floods, has been again visited by serious storms, which have done considerable damage to the town and surroundings.

INTERCOLONIAL.

SYDNEY, November 22.

At present, the elections have resulted in favor of new members being elected by small majorities. Sir Henry Parkes, the Premier, was elected for East Sydney by a small majority.

LATEST.

4.45 p.m.

The Hon. Mr Oliver refused to receive a deputation of railway workmen to-day, telling their representative they should be at work.

Inspector Mallard had an illuminated address with a purse of one hundred and seventy sovereigns presented to him to-day.

A Volunteer review for local forces is to be held at Invercargill on Boxing-Day.

BRISBANE, November 23.

News has been received that the captain and crew of the *Annie Brookes* were murdered in September by Newstone Island natives, and a party of French naturalists were also murdered last month by natives of Moreby Island.

MELBOURNE, November 23.

The death is announced to-day of Sir Redmond Barry, one of the puisne judges of Victoria, aged sixty-two. Deceased had suffered some time from a carbuncle, which caused his death.

A concert and tea-meeting takes place at Bannockburn on Friday evening next in connection with the Presbyterian Church. From what we hear there is prospect of the affair being a huge success, both in provision and patronage.

At an extraordinary meeting of the Pipeclay Sludge Channel Co., Bannockburn, held last evening, it was resolved to voluntarily wind up the Company, and that the property be sold by auction and the proceeds divided *pro rata* among the shareholders.

We regret to learn that an old and respected resident of this district, Mr Edward Campbell, of the Half-way House, Clyde road, died to-day. Deceased recently left home for a trip Dunedin-wards, for the benefit of change, but at Wakatipu he was seized with illness, which has proven fatal.

We regret to hear that the dam belonging to Messrs Ritchie and Tippet, at Bannockburn, burst on Sunday night. It contained a large quantity of water—an element of special value in the existing dry season—and the loss must be a serious one to the proprietors, who were themselves just about to start washing-up.

A very popular Bannockburn resident, Mr J. L. Moore, an injury to whose knee we recorded some time back, had to-day to undergo the infliction of having his leg amputated. The operation was successfully performed at the hospital by Drs Staepole and Leahy. So far, we are glad to learn, the patient is progressing favorably.

Captain Brown has, on behalf of the Cromwell Rifles, received from Major H. J. Finn, commanding the District, a magnificent gold medal, set with brilliants, for competition by the company, under conditions to be fixed by the officers of the corps. The gift is an extremely handsome one, and no doubt its possession will be the cause of much emulation. The medal will be on view for a few days at Mr Hotop's shop.

The Mayoral contest opens to-morrow morning, the polling-hours from nine a.m. till 6 p.m. at the Town Hall. As the number of electors qualified to vote does not exceed 50, the returning officer's duties will be light. The struggle is likely to be a lively one, partisans of both candidates being sanguine. As the aspirants to office have pretty fully laid their claims before the burgesses, it is unnecessary for us to express any opinion as to their respective merits. It is desirable, however, that every vote should be recorded.

We are compelled to hold over our leading article till next week owing to press of current events.

Messrs Charles Crofton Boyes, John Bateman, Robert Davidson, James Hardy Lawton, and William Paterson have been gazetted Trustees of Lake Rabbit District.

A cake of 322oz came down from the Gladstone Company's mine, Macetown, on Saturday last. The parcel was the outcome of 140 tons of stone. Our correspondent has not sent us result of the Tipperary crushing.

The girl Mary Prescott, who mysterious disappearance last week created some sensation in Dunedin, turned up—not in the water, as she would by her actions have led the public to believe, but in George-street, Port Chalmers.

A sporting writer in a Dunedin contemporary hears that an enterprising country resident who has recently started a profitable business in Dunedin has conceived the idea of associating two or three other gentlemen with himself and going in jointly for racing. They will not touch breeding, but buy promising young stock and put them into training.

The annual meeting of subscribers to the Cromwell Athenaeum, convened for last Tuesday evening, fell through from lack of attendance, as also did a special meeting called for transaction of important business connected with the institution. Proceedings were adjourned till Thursday evening first, when it is hoped members will muster in force.

A recent *Morning Herald* records that a knavish piece of work was practised with Messrs Lyons and Hart's totalisator. It appears that those who had charge of the machine were not certain of the hour at which the race was run, and the result was that some individuals in Dunedin were in possession of the name of the winning horse for the Canterbury 'cup' even before the time for closing the totalisator had arrived. These were sufficiently dishonorable to use their information for the purpose of cheating other investors. To some extent they were successful, for they succeeded in obtaining two or three tickets after they knew what horse had won.

A fatal accident occurred at Bannockburn last week, whereby a little boy, aged eight years, son of Mr Geo. Manson, lost his life. It seems deceased with some playmates were digging among some fine sand underlying a bank of clay some three or four feet thick. They had worked a considerable distance in, and on there being signs of the overhanging mass giving way, the poor little fellow was unable to get clear and it fell on him, breaking his leg in two places and causing serious internal injuries, from the effects of which he died a few hours afterwards. An inquest was held by Mr Colclough, and a verdict of "Accidental death" returned.

The conditions of the District Prize-firing, to take place next month, are published elsewhere. The date fixed is 10th and 11th December, on which days the whole of the companies will fire. Our local men will fire at the Cromwell butts only. We understand that in order to induce practice two handicap matches for prizes have been arranged to come off at the Cromwell range—the first on Friday morning, 26th inst., and the other on that day week. It is pretty evident from recent scoring by the other companies that if Cromwell would maintain last year's advantage the men must practice assiduously on the range set apart for the competition.

A man named Jerome O'Connor had a narrow escape from drowning in the Kawarau yesterday. O'Connor is said to have been drinking heavily for some time past, and by some means slipped down the river bank on to the beach, where he struck his head against a rock, inflicting a deep wound. In a dazed sort of way, he got on his feet and made towards the river, into which he stumbled. By good fortune the man's position was noticed by Mr John Whetter, who at once got help and went to O'Connor's rescue. When dragged from the water he was insensible, and remained so up till noon to-day. But for the promptitude displayed by his rescuers, and the exertions of Dr Staepole, the man's life must have been sacrificed.

Mr Geo. Partridge, junr., suffered a loss of about £120 worth of property by fire on the evening of Tuesday last. At the junction of the Lindis and Clutha rivers Mr Partridge has a small hut and yard, in which latter he has been engaged shearing. In the hut were 90 fleeces wool, several suits clothing, double-barrelled gun, £8 cash, and other articles. On the evening of the disaster Mr Partridge was absent on business at Bendigo, and a man named R. O'Neill was engaged shearing in the yard, which is fenced with scrub running close to the hut. O'Neill had been smoking, and the thatch of the hut was on fire before he noticed it, so that nothing could be done to save the contents. There was no insurance, and Mr Partridge is much sympathized with in his loss.

The following is from the *Grey River Argus* of a late date:—Monday witnessed a rather strange proceeding in the Warden's Court, before Mr Warden Stratford. A well-known and highly respectable miner, Mr Arthur Smith, belonging to the Seventeen Mile Beach, was subpoenaed as a witness in a Warden's Court case. When he got into the witness box, before being sworn, he demanded his expenses. The Warden ordered him to take the oath. This Mr Smith declined to do till his expenses were tendered him. In reply to a question he stated that he had received £1, but that was only his mileage, and he now claimed his day's expenses. The Warden again asked if he still refused to be sworn. The witness firmly refused to be sworn. The Warden then ordered the witness into custody till the rising of the Court, and Mr Smith was accordingly arrested. After being in custody several hours, Mr Smith was again brought into Court, and this time he resolved, not liking the prospect of further imprisonment, to give the evidence, and he gave it accordingly. We understand that Mr Smith has instructed counsel to take steps to recover damages from Mr Warden Stratford for false imprisonment.

Captain Hume, who recently received the appointment of inspector of prisons for this Colony, arrived from London by the steamer *Durham*.

Sir Julius Vogel has sent by the *a.s. Durham* a number of sets of Dickens' and A. Trollope's works to Australia and New Zealand, to be distributed as prizes among the children attending the public schools.

It has been ascertained that the stones which were continually falling on Mr Ayers' house at Kaipoi in so mysterious a manner were thrown by his own children, who secreted themselves in the scrub growing round the house, and as soon as they had thrown the stones ran out and pretended to be looking for the person who had done so.

Mr Edward Fearon, who lately passed his examination as a solicitor, and was admitted in Wellington, but whose brain became affected through overstudying, died on Saturday morning on being released from the Asylum in Wellington. He went to Nelson about a fortnight ago, but was admitted to the Asylum at once. He inflicted self-injuries which proved fatal.

Mr W. C. Kirkcaldy has resigned the charge of the Dunedin branch of the Union Insurance Company, and Mr Mallard, late inspector of police, has been appointed to succeed him. Mr Kirkcaldy will continue his official connection with the Company till he leaves on a visit to the Home country early in March. Mr Mallard's many friends will heartily wish him all success in his new career.

With the heading "such is life," an Auckland paper gives the following:—Mr James Pemberton, the winner of the first prize in Abbott's £5000 sweep on the Melbourne Cup, is a gum digger at Whangarei. He spent his last £5 in tickets, and then bartered the winning number to Mr Davis, of the Kamo Hotel, for two drinks. Whether Mr Davis intends to stick to it has not as yet transpired.

Co-operation is one of the great questions that trouble our community at the present time, and although we have no wish to discourage the movement, it should command great consideration before expending hard earned savings on what will more than likely prove a failure for want of support from the shareholders. To be a paying business it must be for cash payments. Two years ago a draper of Cromwell, with the intention of trying to educate the public into the great saving made by purchasing for cash, reduced his Stock of Drapery, Clothing, and Boots, and added that of Grocery, offering the same at fully six shillings in the £ less than the regular prices. No co-operative store could do more, and yet this is only taken advantage of by the few, showing that when put to the test the people will not co-operate when it is a question of cash payments. W. TALBOYS, London, House, Cromwell, is quite prepared to serve those who would co-operate in obtaining the best articles at the lowest prices.—[Adv.]

LAKE DISTRICT PRIZE FIRING, 1880.

The Committee appointed under Rule 3 of the Prize Firing Rules, as published in the *New Zealand Gazette* of 16th September, 1880, has agreed to divide the sum of £19 13s 8d (set apart by the Government for competition in the Lake Volunteer District) into the following prizes:—1st prize, £4; 2nd prize, £3; 3rd, £2 10s; 4th, £2; 5th, £1 10s; 6th, £1 5s; 7th, £1; 8th, 15s; 9th, 12s 6d; 10th, 10s; 11th, 7s 6d; 12th, 6s 8d. Range Prizes: 200yds, 10s; 400yds, 12s; 500yds, 15s.—Total, £19 13s 8d.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. The ranges shall be 200, 400 and 500 yards; seven shots at each range; any position throughout; targets, *vide* rule 20, regulations 1878. The highest scorers shall be the winners, which shall be decided by rule 24.
2. The officers supervising on behalf of the Government are directed to rigidly carry out rules 3, 18, 22, 23, 26 and 25 (*vide* general rules published 1878).
3. The firing will take place and commence simultaneously at the Government targets situate at Queenstown, Arrowtown, and Cromwell respectively (no firing to be at contingent targets on the occasion), the firing to commence at 6 a.m. sharp each morning on Friday, the 10th, and Saturday, the 11th, days of December, 1880.
4. The firing at Queenstown will be under the supervision of Major H. J. Finn, commanding district; at Arrowtown, under Captain and Adjutant J. Barlow; and at Cromwell, under Sergeant-Major Scully—on behalf of the Government.
5. Corps may appoint a delegate at the firing of another corps, such delegates to attend in the butts, to see that the proper dice are signalled and the true value of each shot duly entered by the officer in the butts, but is on no account to interfere further with the shooting.
6. Any Volunteer wishing to compete, and who is not in arrears to his company, must send in his name at least one clear day before the day appointed to fire, to the officer commanding his company.
7. As soon as possible after the firing has been concluded, returns showing the full scores of all competitors and a separate return of the prizewinners, with their scores, must be sent to the office of the Major commanding district, through the officers commanding companies.
8. Officers commanding companies are requested to promulgate these conditions, as well also as the "Rules and Regulations for the competition for Government prizes 1878" before the day appointed to fire, "as the plea of ignorance of them will not be entertained."

H. J. FINN,
Major Commanding District.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN NEWS.

[By Cable.]

(FROM DUNEDIN DAILIES.)

LONDON, November 17.

It is currently reported to-day that serious differences have arisen in the Cabinet in regard to the policy to be pursued in Ireland. Reports state that the majority of Ministers favor the adoption of strong measures of coercion for the repression of the prevailing disorder in that country; but that the Right Hon. John Bright, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, and the Right Hon. Mr Chamberlain, President of the Board of Trade, are strongly opposed to such a course, and decline to act with their colleagues in the carrying out of coercive measures.

The International Regatta for £1,000 worth of prizes, given by the American Hop Bitters Company, commences to-morrow on the Thames. Four heats will be rowed, and afterwards the final contest will take place. The course will be between Putney and Chiswick, a distance of about three miles. Hanlan has been scratched, and will not take part in the regatta.

VIENNA, November 17.

Severe earthquakes have again been experienced at Agram, which has suffered further damage. It is generally anticipated that the whole town will, if the shocks continue, be completely swallowed up.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 17.

Dervish Pasha has now established a complete cordon of Turkish troops around Dulcigno, with a view to successfully operate against the Albanians in the event of their forcibly resisting the cession of the town.

The Porte has ordered the calling-out of 40,000 redifs for the troops of reserve for service against the Greeks should hostilities arise over the frontier question. A portion of the force will also be employed in Albania.

CAPE TOWN, November 17.

Intelligence has been received that the rebel Basutos and other hostile tribes have been repulsed by the Transkei militia. The enemy lost 10 killed, and the militia lost one officer and two Fingoes.

LONDON, November 18.

The first four heats of the International Regatta were rowed to-day on the Thames, in the presence of a large number of spectators. The following were the results:—First heat, Laycock, 1; Hawden, 2. Second heat, Wallace Ross, 1; Riley, 2. Third heat, Hosmer, 1; Smith, 2. Fourth heat, Trickett, 1; Nicholson, 2. The defeated oarsmen are Elliott, Boyd, Lorgan, Courtney, Anderson, Gibson, and Clasper, who do not compete further. Two more heats will be pulled to-morrow (Friday) and the final contest will take place on Saturday.

A Cabinet Council was held again yesterday, but no decision was come to as to the policy to be pursued in Ireland. It has transpired that the Right Hon. Mr Chamberlain, president of Board of Trade, demands of his colleagues that reforms shall be carried out in Ireland, together with the abandonment of the coercive measures which they propose to adopt.

VIENNA, November 18.

Twenty thousand persons have fled from Agram in consequence of the earthquakes. The Austrian Government make a loan of 50,000 guilders (£25,000) to the town for its restoration. 1,800 workmen are already engaged in re-erecting the public buildings and residences which have been destroyed.

CALCUTTA, November 18.

News has been received that a revolt of the native tribes has broken out in Cashmere.

Original Correspondence.

[We do not identify ourselves with the opinions expressed by correspondents.]

COUNTY RETRENCHMENT.

To the Editor of THE CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—Had Cr Pyke added to his notice of motion re the Inspector of Works "and that the services of the Engineer be dispensed with," it would have met with the approval of the great majority of the ratepayers of this County. The County does not require the services of a high-salaried professional engineer, and as soon as the bridges on hand are completed there will be nothing for him to do; even at the present time there are some candid enough to express an opinion that a good practical man could oversee the completion of present works much better than a merely professional man. The County of Southland, and other large counties, does not require an officer whose duties would be more commensurate with those of a provincial district than a county. Perhaps Mr Vincent Pyke thinks that the cry of retrenchment has blown over and that he will just get things back to their former state. It is to be hoped that the councillors elected by the ratepayers will do their duty without regard to personal influences. It is little short of insulting audacity in the County Chairman thus to bring such a motion alone before the Council; but at last meeting of the Council the attempt at retrenchment was too mild; it was only half done. Discharging a couple of inspectors and a few roadmen was not what was required, it was simply the abolition of the office of so highly-paid and expensive a functionary as engineer, and the reduction of the Chairman's salary. It is to be hoped that no consideration will deter the members of the Council from fearlessly doing their duty to the ratepayers of this County at the approaching meeting.—I am, &c.,
RATEPAYER.

November 20th, 1880.

THE MAYORAL ELECTION.

MEETING OF RATEPAYERS.

The ratepayers of the Borough mustered to strong force in the Athenaeum Hall on Friday evening to hear the views of the rival candidates for the mayoralty of Cromwell during the municipal year 1880-81. The to citizens present displayed a considerable degree of interest in the proceedings and listened attentively to the respective speakers.

Mr S. H. Turton having been voted to the chair, explained the object of the meeting, and called upon Mr Colclough, the present Mayor, to first address the electors.

Mr Colclough then took his position on the platform, and said it had been arranged between Mr Brown and himself that he (Mr Colclough) should lead off. This was an advantage to Mr Brown, as the speaker would not have the opportunity of replying. The best feeling and good friendship existed between himself and Mr Brown. Mr Colclough then proceeded to show why the ratepayers should select him as Mayor. This was an occasion on which a man must blow his own trumpet, and he would do so in as mild a manner as possible, without treading on his opponent's corns. During his term of office his colleagues had worked harmoniously with him, and in reviewing the useful works performed, he did not wish to take more than his share of credit for their accomplishment.

The first thing he would bring under notice was the matter of the Cromwell bridge. When he entered the Council it was found necessary to tar and paint the bridge. This done, he endeavored to clear the borough of responsibility for maintenance and further repairs, and he had succeeded at last in getting a proclamation gazetted vesting this property in the County Council. Immediately after his election the necessity at once struck him for a strong-room in which to deposit documents and valuable records, and no time was lost in carrying his idea into effect. It was one of the useful works done for the accomplishment of which he could claim credit. Another valuable addition to the welfare of the town was the pipe-laying extension on the flat. The old cemetery had been closed, and a new one surveyed, and the site approved by Government. He expected soon to see the trustees gazetted.

The next matter he would refer to was the survey of the Straithaieri line of railway. It was hinted that the survey would stop at Clyde, and he took a leading part in the agitation to get the railway extended to Wanaka. Though the railway was still in futuro, this was one step towards accomplishing the great work. The planting of the Park was also an addition to the category of works performed during his term. Thousands of trees had been planted, and even now it was a luxury to walk there. In ten years' time it would be most refreshing to walk among the trees, which would then be well grown. As soon as the Waimea Railway was opened, he (Mr Colclough) brought under the notice of the authorities the facilities thereby offered for a daily mail. And in this matter too he would show a reason why he was a more eligible candidate than Mr Brown. In whatever he had to say against his opponent he would be as mild as possible. It was disagreeable to have to tread on his friend's corns. And one thing he had to complain of was his unfair treatment by THE CROMWELL ARGUS. During the past two years he had not received anything like fair play from Mr Brown in THE ARGUS. One instance of the bias of the paper named he would point out was the matter of this daily mail. A letter appeared in its columns, signed "F. J. Wilson," advocating the daily mail service rendered easy by the opening of the Waimea line. He (Mr C.) had taken previous action in the matter and received favorable reply from the department, of which Mr Brown was cognisant, a letter having been laid on the table. Of this letter Mr Brown took no notice in his report, but gave all the credit to Mr Wilson, although he (Mr Colclough) was the man who had obtained the consummation. Had Mr Brown been mayor it would have been different. The next matter he would notice was the settlement of "Block IX" question. Friends and enemies alike would concede that he had worked energetically in carrying out his promises in this matter. He had the assistance and confidence of the Council in settling this long-standing grievance. On all previous election times this was the question on which a candidate was returned, and he could fairly lay claim to having permanently settled it. Though a rate had not been levied this year, the Council had £400 or £500 to its credit. Numerous small works had been done which wrought a vast improvement in the appearance of the town. Among the works enumerated was the formation and kerbing of footpaths. He would give two reasons why Mr Brown should not stand. He did not question Mr Brown's ability, for he had ability; nor his honesty, for he was honest. But they could not expect it in flesh and blood that Mr Brown would give fair play while he was connected with THE ARGUS. Though Mr Brown might be on a par with the speaker in every respect, his connection with the only local newspaper should be sufficient to debar Mr Brown from seeking election. On the occasion of Mr Brown's retirement, he gave three reasons for so doing—First, his holding of the honorable position of mayor was incompatible with his connection with the local press. [Mr Brown: "Read the extract."]—Mr Colclough thereupon produced and read extract, and proceeded to give his interpretations of same. He hoped Mr Brown's newspaper connection would prove sufficient for the ratepayers to reject him.

Mr Colclough then referred to street narrowing, and he must say that Mr Brown "funked" the Block IX question. He could see things had reached a climax, and he wanted to shirk the struggle. Mr Colclough had made no enemies over the settlement, and Mr Brown would now like to step in and reap the benefit of his (Mr Colclough's) work. Mr Colclough was quite sure Mr Brown while Mayor never forced advertisements or printing—except on one occasion, just before retiring. Mr Brown had printed new by-laws for Borough of Arrowtown, and though the by-laws of this Borough had been tested before Mr Simpson in the R.M. Court, his worship the Mayor (Mr Brown) singularly discovered that the by-laws were invalid. It was peculiar that Mr Brown should be struck with the idea that this particular time was suitable to have new by-laws. This was because the by-laws were already in type, and this piece of work cost the Council £32. [In this statement it has been shown Mr Colclough was incorrect, the charge for twice publishing by-laws and printing 100 copies thereof having been £15.] It was also noticeable that during his opponents' term of office the ARGUS account for printing and advertising amounted to £119, while under him (the speaker) the sum had been only £72. Mr Colclough would not detain the meeting any longer, as his opponent had yet to speak. He would repeat that they could not expect fair and impartial reports of proceedings if the Mayor was proprietor of the local newspaper. A newspaper should be a "watchdog." It was a weakness of Mr Brown's to enlarge on S. N. Brown in copying minutes. By their votes the citizens should insist that the office of Mayor should be untrammelled by any other position.—Mr Colclough was about to leave the platform when Mr MacKellar asked was it not usual on such occasions for a candidate to remain and answer any questions, and enlighten the ratepayers on the affairs of the Borough. He would like to know how the coffers stood.—Mr Colclough replied that acceptances for land about equal to £400 were now coming due, and with proceeds of unsold land would totalise an amount of £600.—Mr MacKellar would like to know how much they had to credit.—Mr Colclough: about on a balance—nothing; did not know exactly; there were no works of any account going on.—Mr MacKellar: What was the current expenditure?—Mr Colclough: The dayman received £4 a week, and the clerk £100 per annum—and this was not too much.—Mr MacKellar asked would he be right in assuming that the weekly expenditure amounted to £8.—Mr Colclough: Yes.—Mr MacKellar said Mr Colclough was barking the questions. He had not told them anything about the finances of the Borough.—Mr Colclough did not know to shillings and sixpences, but Mr Marshall was an obliging man and would enlighten anybody of an enquiring turn. He had not looked into the accounts lately.—Mr MacKellar would like to know the value of unpaid rates and rents. Mr Colclough replied that there were large sums sued for, the which could not be termed assets.—Mr Jolly asked would Mr Colclough use his best endeavors to prevent the commonage being wrested from the people.—Mr Colclough said the commonage was a farce. He was credibly informed that 400 head of cattle that had not been among the number recently mustered were now running on the commonage. Cattle were driven about from one place to another to avoid commonage fees. He thought the commonage should be let by auction, with a fee chargeable of 3s 6d per annum, all cattle running on same to be branded with a commonage brand, for he was assured that during the recent mustering about 400 head were driven into private yards, and similarly marked with tar to those that had passed through the pound and paid fees.—Mr Dawkins would like to know had Mr Colclough any idea of the number of cattle put through at the annual mustering? Mr Colclough replied, roughly about 500. Mr Dawkins could inform Mr Colclough the number reached 900.

Mr Brown, who then took his place on the platform, was greeted with applause. He said that before going into other details he would briefly as possible traverse Mr Colclough's remarks. The files of THE ARGUS would clearly refute Mr Colclough's statements concerning the speaker. Mr Colclough had thought it not worth while to give the ratepayers some idea of the financial position of the Borough, but he (Mr Brown) had not considered the time wasted which he spent in obtaining a few figures for the information of those present; but these would be dealt with in due course. The first work for the accomplishment of which Mr Colclough claimed credit was the tarring and painting of the Cromwell Bridge, and handing entire control of same over to the County Council, thereby relieving the Borough from responsibility. Now Mr Colclough should have been honest enough to tell them that the suggestion first came from the County authorities and not from the Borough (Mr Colclough: No, No.) He (Mr B.) was positive on the point. With regard to additions to Town Hall, the speaker said he did not think any great credit was due. No doubt if the building, which cost £125, had been put to its proper use, the money would have been wisely spent. The room had never been used for municipal purposes, and £125 for a strong-room was rather too much of a luxury. The Town Clerk's office should be in the Council Chamber, and that official be found there at certain hours every day for the transaction of public business. Only when this was done would the ratepayers have value for the money expended. If any credit was due for extension of Central railway survey, he (Mr Brown) thought that a

fair share might be allowed for his exertions through the local paper. The same remark applied to the matter of daily mail service, which was the subject of a letter from Mr F. J. Wilson in the ARGUS and editorial notice, before the mayor's letter was made public. In short, so far from his connection with the Press being a bar to seeking election as mayor, the contrary was the case, as it could be incontestably shown that the ARGUS had been a valuable adjunct in obtaining many concessions for the town and district. As to the Park, the idea originated in the local paper; and as more than £100 had been spent thereon, it should be better looked after. It was also worth notice that the Park abutted on some property owned by Mr Colclough. That gentleman's chief, nay only, objection to the speaker being elected mayor was his connection with the local Press. Now during his residence among them he (Mr B.) could fearlessly say that he had never given any man reason to think he would do an injustice through the paper, and he did not intend that he ever should with cause be so accused (Applause). The selling of the Block IX land was the only stone on which Mr Colclough could safely rest his foot, but even in this he was not satisfied unless he got all the credit. As a matter of truth, he (the speaker) had not "funked" the question, but on the contrary had set up all the machinery whereby Mr Colclough was enabled to complete the work, so far as it had yet gone. Even after his "voluntary retirement" from the office of mayor, he had consistently pushed on with the work, carrying through the "special order" necessary before anything whatever could be done. One of his last acts before his term ceased was to oppose in open Council a motion by Mr Scott to upset all that had been previously done. This conclusively proved that he had not "funked" the position, as Mr Colclough elegantly put it. Referring to his resignation in June, 1878, Mr Brown showed that his opponent put a false construction on the terms of the public announcement. He had not retired, as alleged, because he thought the position incompatible with his connection with the local Press, but because it had been shown to him that "in the eyes of a number of ratepayers" such appeared to be the case. To settle this point another reason was given, namely, to afford the ratepayers opportunity of expressing their views through the ballot. That no other citizen was then nominated to the mayoralty he accepted as proof that they had confidence in him. Four months later, when he left office by effluxion of time, he declined an influential requisition to again come forward, as he recognised that the office of Mayor should be a rolling one so long as suitable candidates could be found. He was free to confess of Mr Colclough that, if not so useful as he might have been, he was at least an ornamental Mayor. He had been allowed to hold office for two years without submitting to the test of public opinion, and should be satisfied. There had been for a length of time what might be called municipal death in the community, and he was glad to see from their presence in such numbers that there was evidence of an awakening. Mr Brown then went on to contrast the public works effected during his previous 20 months Mayorship, with the two years under Mr Colclough's administration. In the speaker's time four of the main avenues for wheeled traffic were opened, valuable endowments secured to the Borough, and generally the affairs of the town and district looked after carefully and intelligently. This much he had a right to say for himself and then colleagues. Under Mr Colclough's regime the only work of utility that could be pointed to was the forming and kerbing of south side of Melmore-street, and this was as little as could be expected out of the sum of £634 the Council had already received on account of the land sold. As proving that he could justly claim a share in settling Block IX difficulty he quoted remarks made by Mr Colclough at the nomination of councillors in September, 1878—at which time he (Mr B.) was Mayor:—"Mr Colclough thought that so far as Block IX was concerned, the retiring Council had finished the work, leaving a clear field for their successors. Previous speakers seemed impressed with the idea that nothing had been done, whereas in fact the retiring Council had settled the long-vexed question, and calculated on wiping off the municipal debt with the proceeds of the land. He was astonished to hear men say they heartily wished the matter settled, and yet talk of again opening up the question." It sounded somewhat inconsistent for Mr Colclough now to accuse him of having "funked" the question. However, a little truth would go far beyond any amount of that sophistry so peculiar to Mr Colclough. The speaker then addressed himself at some length to the finances of the Borough. He showed that, instead of having £400 or £500 to the good as stated by the Mayor, as a fact both the ordinary and waterworks accounts were overdrawn at the bank. The extraordinary revenue arising from sale of land was most fortuitous, and came in just at a time when the Borough was on the verge of bankruptcy, and had been refused a shilling further credit. As a matter of fact the Council was now working on the proceeds of the land sale instead of legitimate revenue. The work of the collector was neglected, in proof of which the Corporation books showed that over £500 was due for rates and rents, besides another year's revenue that would accrue in about three months. The finances had been allowed to drift into a hopeless condition, and but for the windfall of £634 from sale of street lands the Council would have had to cease operations. Not

one half the water-rate was being paid, and yet out of ordinary revenue during the past two years £280 had been paid as interest on coupons. A variety of other subjects were touched upon by the speaker, but which space will not admit of being published. He concluded by detailing the various promises made by Mr Colclough at each of his elections, and showing that in one instance only had he been faithful to a pledge. Should the citizens place him in the position to which he aspired, they might rest assured he would, as in the past, use his best endeavors to promote the well-being of the town and district, and merit the confidence reposed in him.

In answer to Mr P. Cahill, Mr Brown said he would use his best endeavors to get the commonage extended.—Replying to Mr MacKellar, he had reason to believe that Mr Colclough's tenure of land held from the Corporation would expire in July next, and he had expressed his intention of seeking compensation or bringing an action against the Borough.

Mr Colclough thought it ungenerous of Mr MacKellar to put this question through his opponent, instead of asking Mr C. himself. As a matter of fact his tenure did expire next year, and it was more than likely he would again assume occupation. If not, he would certainly look for compensation under his agreement.

Mr Jolly asked whether, when Mr Colclough was sued for rent, he had acknowledged any moral or legal obligation under the agreement he spoke of?

Mr Colclough said he was exactly in the same position as Mr Brown in that matter.

Some further questions were addressed to Mr Colclough and replied to, after which the meeting—which was very orderly and well-conducted throughout—was brought to a close with the usual vote to the chairman.

ARROWTOWN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

November 22.

Some amateur birdlimers have been busy the past week trying to entice the sparrows which infest the rickety old Courthouse to perch on twigs prepared for their reception, but the bump of caution appears to be better developed in the birds than the birdcatching bump in the operators. So far, their efforts have proved fruitless. The pest threatens to assume alarming proportions in a short time, and no effective check has as yet been suggested. The birds are to be met with in every direction where there is settlement; and their number is really surprising considering that they made their advent here only a year ago.

An accident of a painful nature happened here last Wednesday to Mr R. D. Owens' eldest lad, by which the youngster broke his arm. It appears the poor little fellow tried to perform some gymnastic feat on a fence rail, which led to the injury described. The sufferer is progressing as well as can be expected, and is under the care of Dr Robertson.

The reifers at Macetown promise to give no little trouble to those who are responsible for the good behaviour of the district. During the last sitting of the R.M. Court here Major Keddell had to adjudge upon two cases of assault, and there is an additional one talked about. Under these circumstances the reported reduction of our police force, if carried out, can only be a temporary one, for the chances are that it will require to be augmented instead of being diminished.

The Library Committee, after calling for tenders in the three papers circulating in the district, and appointing a special meeting to consider the tenders, resolved not to accept any, but to postpone making the contemplated improvements and extension until after 1st January next. It is to be hoped that the Committee will give some good reason for this course at the next meeting of subscribers, for with £120 in the bank to their credit there is no reasonable difficulty in undertaking say a £180 contract.

The weather has been very hot during the last week, and the orchards and gardens generally are fully three or four weeks ahead of the ordinary average of preceding seasons. Cherries are beginning to ripen, and green peas are being hawked about the streets by our Chinese gardeners. All the crops look as well as can be expected, while some fields promise to eclipse all that has been known in the way of productiveness in this district.

Municipal matters, and especially municipal finance, are raising a queer ferment in the Council, and it is amusing to watch the moves of our local "tammany ring." It may be stated that so far they have had an easy time of it, as the ratepayers have taken no interest in the matter whatever, and are apparently content to let things go their own road.

Cakes are expected this week, or early next, from the Gladstone and Tipperary, and rumor has it that they will be of fair proportions.

During the past week a few of the sightseers who went from here to take a peep at the Melbourne Exhibition have returned from wonder land, and are loud in their praises of the display of the number and ingenuity of the handiwork of man.

A fair muster of cadets met and were put through several evolutions, which the lads performed with considerable tact, and if they only continue to attend drill in the same numbers as last Saturday they will soon attain a fair degree of efficiency.

OUR VICTORIAN LETTER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, November 3.

Victorians cannot but feel proud of the enormous numbers bestowed by the distinguished visitors on the display at Flemington yesterday. The Duke of Manchester speaks in the highest terms of the orderly conduct of the 100,000 who were present at the great racing event of the year. This gentleman states that the Melbourne Cup compares favorably with the English Derby; to use his own words "it was Epsom and Longchamps in one," he further adds "the horses were simply superb, and could not possibly be surpassed in England." Sir Arthur Kennedy, who has this year seen both Ascot and Epsom, says that it surpasses anything he has ever seen. Sir Herbert Sandford says: "The Exhibition was a great and astonishing surprise to visitors from Europe, who certainly never expected to see so splendid, complete, and magnificent a show—only second to those at Philadelphia in 1876, and Paris 1878—in a country practically only 20 years old, and with a population not half of Paris alone; but the Cup was a still greater surprise. I wish I could take a few days like yesterday home in my pocket to England when I return at the close of the Exhibition." Professor Beuleaux, the Commissioner-General for Germany, says: "Such a brilliant *tout ensemble* of magnificent toilettes I have never before seen in any part of the world." This gentleman spoke highly of the great taste displayed by the fair sex in the choice of colors and toilettes. Mr Belcour, the French Commissioner, although very much put out at the want of courtesy displayed by the V.R.C. in omitting to send him an invitation, expresses himself delighted and surprised at the orderly conduct displayed by the immense gathering assembled on the course. Herr Schoenberger says that he was amused at the attention of gentlemen yesterday divided between admiring ladies' dresses and the splendid forms of the horses. The Japanese Commissioner, Mr Tokuda, declared himself dumbfounded that a thinly-populated colony like Victoria could send over 100,000 people to see a race. He was also struck by the good behaviour of the people, both coming and going from the race-course. In England, he says, that coming from Epsom he has seen people of the highest class going home far from sober, using pea-shooters, and throwing flour-bags from their carriages, which, to his mind, was not very creditable. Yesterday he saw none of this, and was greatly pleased to see such good order.

More than one of our leading bookmakers, after yesterday's racing, have found themselves in "queer street." One of them, in order to meet his liabilities, will be forced to sell his magnificent residence; while another today finds himself without a penny. The smaller fry, in many cases, are completely up a tree, and expulsion from the club stares them in the face.

The 48 hours go-as-you-please tournament at the Hippodrome was brought to a close this evening at eight minutes past ten. The winner of the belt, together with 50 guineas given by Dr L. L. Smith, M.P., was won Mr W. Edwards, who scored 177 miles and a-half; next came Mr C. Swan, champion of New Zealand, who made 163 miles and a-half. The third was Mr T. E. Campbell of Sydney with 150 miles. Throughout the whole contest Edwards walked in good style, and was greatly praised. Judging from his appearance at the close, he could have kept on for another 48 hours. Williams, the ex-champion of New South Wales, now getting on in years, showed great pluck throughout. Just before the time was up Dr L. L. Smith proposed that a subscription should be got up for Williams, and in a few minutes £7 7s were collected. It is to be hoped that under the patronage of Dr Smith and other gentlemen of means we shall before long be enabled to send Home a competitor for the Ashley Belt.

The smallest living specimen of humanity in the world is now being exhibited in the Eastern Arcade. This miniature man stands 24 inches. He is most intellectual and thoroughly well informed on all topics of the day. During the last week thousands of persons have paid a visit to this smallest of men. He is a native born, of 30 summers.

November 8.

The spurious sympathy felt for the condemned criminal, Edward Kelly, is beyond belief. Hundreds of persons have been prevailed upon to affix their signatures to the petitions asking for a reprieve. The conduct of the brothers Gaunson is most reprehensible—especially that of the elder brother (David), who ought to have had more respect for himself and the high position he holds than to be mixed up in such a disreputable affair as that set on foot to obtain a reprieve for a man who had openly defied the laws of his country, committed crimes which, fortunately for us, are only of rare occurrence. His Excellency informed the deputation which waited on him to-day that the Executive had fully made up their minds not to interfere with the sentence passed upon the condemned man, and at the same time stated that he would on no account see any further deputations on the subject. The Marquis of Normanby has shown more patience in the matter than could be expected, and it is extremely bad taste of Mr D. Gaunson to worry his Excellency the Governor as he has done.

The Exhibition Building was well filled on Saturday last, over 20,000 visitors being present. Our New Zealand visitors, who amount to about 300, are going to give a banquet to the Exhibition Commissioners.

The Hon. W. J. Clarke gave a treat to his tenants last Wednesday at the Exhibition. There were over 60 present, and they all appeared to enjoy themselves very much.

Barnes, the man who committed the daring robbery at Government House some weeks ago, and who was arrested in Sydney while attempting to pawn some of the stolen property, has received a sentence of three years. The Juvenile Pinfore Company are still performing to crowded houses. One of our leading journals maintains that it is not right that these children should be kept up night after night at the sacrifice of their health, just to pander to the public taste. Another evil is that by the employment of so many children, adult actors, with wives and families to maintain, cannot get employment.

A public meeting has been held urging the Governor to use his prerogative and grant a reprieve to the condemned bushranger. The resolutions passed at the meeting were presented to His Excellency the same evening. Mr Gaunson states that over 300 ladies obtained tickets from him the day previous to the meeting, which took place at the Hippodrome, whence a procession started to Government House.

EXECUTION OF NED KELLY.

Ned Kelly was hanged on the morning of the 11th in the Melbourne Gaol. Up to a short period before his execution he entertained sanguine hopes of a reprieve, and made frequent written appeals for clemency. The previous day the Gaol Governor informed him that there was no hope, and that he must prepare for the worst. Kelly made a final appeal that his body should be given up to his relations for burial, but this was refused as being against prison regulations. His three sisters paid him a farewell visit the night before his execution, and an affecting scene ensued. Kelly retired to bed at half-past 1 o'clock in the morning, and was restless for one hour. He then slept well until 5 o'clock, when he arose and prayed for 20 minutes, and then lay down again. He was visited shortly afterwards by the Revs. Dean Donoly and Shea, who ministered spiritual consolation, and remained with him till the last. They would not allow him breakfast. Just before 9 o'clock the irons were knocked off, and Kelly was conducted to the condemned cell. He walked jauntily from his former cell, and on the way had to pass through the Governor's garden, where he exclaimed "Oh, what a pretty garden." He remained in the condemned cell engaged in prayer with the priests, and precisely at ten o'clock the governor of the gaol and the sheriff went to the door and a warden announced the fatal moment had arrived. The priests, one bearing a tall crucifix and intoning the prayers, preceded the prisoner, who exhibited some signs of faltering, but made great efforts to hold up. The gallows were situated opposite to the cell door, the drop being 7½ feet. Kelly, in coming out, exclaimed, "Ah, well, it's come to this at last." He gave one look at those present beneath, and then cast his eyes down and stepped on to the fatal spot, where the noose was adjusted and the white cap pulled over his face. The bolt was then drawn, death being instantaneous. Only a few twitchings were perceptible, and there was no struggling. The body was cut down at half-past ten, when the face was found to be pale, but not distorted. The formal inquest was held at twelve o'clock. The remains were buried on Friday, 12th inst. An immense mob—it is estimated about 6,000 persons—congregated outside the gaol.

THE AQUATIC CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, November 15.

The race between Edward Hanlan, of Toronto, Canada, and Edward Trickett, of Sydney, New South Wales, for the sum of £200 a-side, the championship of the world, and the Sportsman's Challenge Cup, took place to-day over the usual course on the Thames, between Putney and Mortlake. The greatest interest was taken in the race. The attendance of the public was enormous, crowds of people lining both banks of the river along the course. The betting at the start was greatly in favor of Hanlan, who was in splendid form. The weather was fine but cold. There was no wind, and the water was smooth. The men got away to a good start, Hanlan commencing with 28 and Trickett 34 strokes a minute. They kept together for half-a-mile, pulling evenly, but at the Crab Tree, Hanlan took the lead, and got clean away from Trickett, who was unable to recover his lost ground, despite great efforts which he made. At Hammersmith Hanlan increased his advantage, and thenceforward drew away from Trickett whenever he approached, "playing" with him in fact for the last three miles, and coming in an easy winner by fully two lengths. The time of the race was 28min. 12sec. Hanlan was enthusiastically cheered at the finish.

[On the 27th June, 1876, when Trickett defeated Sadler (the first time on which the championship was taken from England), his time was 24min. 35sec.]

A recent number of a New York ladies' magazine in its housekeeper's department informs its readers that "Virginia housewives make the best of pickles."

A distinguished and long-winded lawyer defended a criminal unsuccessfully. At the end of the trial the judge received the following note:—"The prisoner humbly prays that the time occupied by the plea of the counsel for the defence be counted in the sentence."

INTERESTING TO NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIBERS.

Judging from a recent case heard in the Small Debts Court, Mudgee, a great many newspaper subscribers are ignorant of the law bearing on the subject. For their benefit we make the following extracts, which we commend them to "read, mark, and learn"—"Any person who takes a paper regularly from a Post Office, whether directed to his name or another's, or whether he has subscribed or not, is responsible for the payment." "If a person orders his paper to be discontinued, he must pay all arrears, or the publisher may continue to send it until payment is made, and collect the whole amount, whether the paper is taken from the office or not." "The Courts have decided that refusing to take newspapers and periodicals from the Post Office, or removing and leaving them uncalled for, is *prima facie* evidence of an intentional fraud." The Trade Protection Society sued 16 of their subscribers for arrears of subscription to their paper. The defendants admitted that they were subscribers, but refused to pay the amount sued for, alleging by their attorney as a defence that the paper was sent to them after they had given notice to the proprietors to discontinue sending same to them. The plaintiffs, by their attorney, Mr J. M'Carthy, contended that the defendants were liable, as at the time the notice was sent the defendants were in arrear in their subscriptions, and that his clients could, in face of that notice, continue sending the paper until all arrears were paid. In support of this view he referred the Court to several authorities on this matter. The police magistrate, after hearing the attorneys on both sides, sustained the view of the plaintiff's attorney, and gave a verdict for the amount claimed in each case, together with witnesses' expenses.

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the man who has not been "passion's slave."

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wasted his vigor who has yielded himself up to
the temporary sweet allurements of vice, who
has given unbridled license to his passions—to
him the above lines are but as a reproach. What
HOPE can he have? What aspirations? What
chance of leaving his footprints on the sands of
time? For him, alas! there is nought but dark
despair and self-reproach for a lost life.

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of time he must be endowed with a strong brain
and nervous power. He must possess a sound,
vigorous, healthy mind in a healthy body—the
power to conceive, the energy to execute! But
look at our Australian youth! See the emaciated
form, the vacant look, the listless hesitat-
ing manner, the nervous distrust, the senseless,
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MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

A Tennessee man can so perfectly imitate the sounds made by two dogs engaged in fighting that he can call a congregation out of church in three minutes.

The average woman's waist measures 30 inches—the average length of a man's arm is 50 inches. How admirable are thy works, oh nature!

The climax of novelty in the insurance business has been reached in Austria, where a company recently proposed to insure people against getting married.

A wealthy Victorian squatter has had made, totally regardless of cost, a magnificent set of double-carriage harness, elaborately and profusely ornamented with his coat of arms in solid colonial gold.

In the great wrestling tournament at Carlisle, for the championship of Great Britain, John Steadman was the winner among 180 competitors. Steadman has now won the championship seven times.

It is estimated that in a single decade 500,000 persons engaged in industrial pursuits in Great Britain sustain personal injury or are killed—in mines, 300,000; on railways, 30,000; and in factories, 180,000.

The organ at the Melbourne Exhibition is really a grand exhibit; it was manufactured in the colony by Fincham, the cost being £5,000. It is a finer and more magnificent instrument than even the imported one in the Town Hall.

An enterprising American inventor, Mr G. H. Bell, has sent a plan of a rain tower to the *Scientific American*, by which he promises not only to produce rain when it is needed, but also to prevent it from falling when it is not desired.

A short time ago, a young man in New South Wales heard that his brother had met with an accident, endangering his life. He rode home, a distance of 83 miles, in five hours 40 minutes including stoppages. During the journey, he used three horses. Taking into consideration the time occupied in procuring fresh horses, &c., he must have ridden the 83 miles at the rate of 16 miles an hour.

An instance of two men killing each other with the same knife occurred recently in a village near Cologne. In an inn at Thein-oven two workmen over their beer came to angry words. In the quarrel that ensued one of them stabbed the other twice in the lower part of the body. The latter, snatching the knife from his opponent, drew it across his throat. Within a few minutes both were corpses.

A curious discovery was made the other day in going over the effects of the late Sir Robert Burdett, brother of the Baroness Burdett-Coutts. In various parts of the house were found over £270,000 worth of bank notes. Most of the money was found pinned between the leaves of books and slipped in among bundles of old papers. None of his relatives had the slightest knowledge of this novel "stocking."

A man's head was cut off with a scythe near Galway. It seems that the man, whose name was Power, had a dispute about some land with his step-father, who rushed at him with a scythe, and drew it across his feet, inflicting a terrible wound. Before he could be prevented the weapon was again used with deadly effect. Power's head being severed from his body. The murderer was at once arrested, and the police had to repeatedly charge the crowd of peasantry who collected to prevent his being lynched.

A shocking tragedy was enacted at Colac (Victoria) on November 6th. Martin Tennas, a Belgian, suspected his wife of having committed adultery with a fellow-workman named Hugh Anderson. For some time past Tennas has been peculiar in his manner, and was always either sharpening his knife or loading his gun, at the same time vowing vengeance against his wife and Anderson. He became so strange that his wife left him, and went to stay at an hotel at Ondit, whither he followed her, and induced her to return home. They went to bed together on the night in question, the husband taking a butcher's knife with him. Three hours afterwards he asked her to confess her guilt, which she refused to do. He then took the knife and plunged it into her stomach four times to a depth of nearly five inches. Their daughter, aged 14, who was in bed with her parents, prevented any further stabbing, and her father then cut his own throat with a razor, and returned to bed. Tennas's wounds are not dangerous, but his wife is mortally wounded.

An exchange observes that the man Moffatt, who has been shot down by the Maoris for invading their territory, has apparently suffered the fate of the inventor of the guillotine. An old soldier, said to have deserted from his regiment, he devoted a considerable portion of his life to teaching the Maoris how to manufacture gunpowder, and in return the Maoris have disposed of him with the weapon he placed in their hands. Persons who knew Moffatt assert that the retribution which has befallen him is a just one. Just before his death he had finished a term of three years in gaol for gunpowder treason, and but for the fact that the chief witness against him, a man named Knott, died recently in the hospital, it is probable that Moffatt would have undergone a number of additional sentences. The deceased was well up in years—probably between 50 and 60—and he was generally known in Wanganui as one of the leading spirits in a band of Pakeha-Maoris, whose lives have been devoted to keeping up disturbances between the natives and European settlers.

FAMILIAR QUOTATIONS.

Music has charms to soothe the savage breast.—Congreve's *Mourning Bride*.

Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned.—Ib.

She walks the waters like a thing of life.—Byron's *Corsair*.

How happy could I be with either, were't other dear charmer away.—The *Beggars' Opera*.

Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn.—Burns.

Nursing her wrath to keep it warm.—Burns's *Tam o' Shanter*.

'Tis sweet to hear the watch-dog's honest bark bay deep-mouthed welcomes as we draw near home.—Byron's *Don Juan*.

Between two worlds life hovers like a star upon the horizon's verge.—Ib.

'Tis distance lends enchantment to the view.—Campbell's *Pleasures of Hope*.

Like angels' visits, few and far between.—Ib.

His back to the field and his feet to the foe.—Campbell.

Procrastination is the thief of time.—Young's *Night Thoughts*.

A gilded halo hovering round decay.—Byron's *Giaour*.

The thunder, conscious of the new command, rumbles o'er our fallen house.—Keats's *Hyperion*.

They also serve who only stand and wait.—Milton.

The stern joy which warriors feel in foemen worthy of their steel.—Scott's *Lady of the Lake*.

A little, round, fat, oily man of God.—Thomson's *Castle of Indolence*.

His pity gave ere charity began.—Goldsmith's *Deserted Village*.

Even his failings leaned to virtue's side.—Ib.

To party gave up what was meant for mankind.—Goldsmith's *Retaliation*.

To point a moral and adorn a tale.—Johnson's *Vanity of Human Wishes*.

A little bench of heedless bishops, here and there a chancellor in embryo.—Shenstone's *Schoolmistress*.

Made sunshine in a shady place.—Spenser's *Faerie Queene*.

Airy tongues that syllable men's names.—Milton's *Mask of Comus*.

As idle as a painted ship upon a painted ocean.—Coleridge's *Ancient Mariner*.

Love, the faith whose martyrs are the broken heart.—Byron's *Childe Harold*.

God tempers the wind to the shorn lamb.—Sterne's *Sentimental Journey*.

A thing of beauty is a joy for ever.—Keats's *Endymion*.

A flower of meekness on a stem of grace.—Montgomery's *World Before the Flood*.

'Tis not in mortals to command success; but we'll do more, Sempronius, we'll deserve it.—Addison's *Cato*.

Like Dead Sea fruit, that tempts the eye but turns to ashes on the lips.—Moore's *Lalla Rookh*.

Just prophet, let the damned one dwell full in the sight of Paradise, beholding heaven and fearing hell.—Ib.

Coming events cast their shadows before.—Campbell.

All went merry as a marriage bell.—Byron's *Childe Harold*.

When youth and pleasure meet to chase the glowing hours with flying feet.—Ib.

HOW THEY DO IT IN 'FRISCO.

As one of the most prominent young burglars of San Francisco was walking out of court the other day, just after having secured an acquittal regarding his latest job, by a prompt and business-like "divvy" with the powers that be at usual rates, a well-to-do, but anxious-looking stranger touched his arm and beckoned him into the doorway.

"You are Teddy the Ferret, aren't you?" asked the gentleman, "the man who was tried to-day for safe-cracking?"

"Well wot of it?" replied the house-breaker.

"Why, just this—you'll excuse my speaking so low—but the fact is, I've come all the way from San Joaquin to look up a party in your line of business."

"Have, eh?"

"Yes—I—well, I've a little proposition to make to you."

"Exactly, said the Ferret calmly; you're a bank cashier down in the foot-hills."

"How did you know that," stammered the gentleman, much amazed.

"And your cash and accounts are to be gone over by the directors on the 1st, and as you can't realise on your stocks, you want me to gag you some time next week, shoot your hat full of holes, find the combination in your breast pocket-book, and go through the safe in the regular way."

"Great heavens, man! how did you find all that out?"

"Why, I guessed it. It's the regular thing you know, I've got three orders to attend to ahead of yours, now. Let me see. Can't do anything for you next week, but might give you Wednesday and Thursday of the week after. How'll that suit you?"

The cashier said he thought he could make that do, and in less than five minutes they had struck a bargain and the whole affair ended.—*American paper*.

When a Boston girl is presented with a bouquet, she says, "Oh, how deliciously sweet; its fragrance impregnates the entire atmosphere of the room." A down-east girl simply says, "It smells scrumptious—thanks, Reuben."

Pedestrian, who has dropped half-a-crown in front of "the blind"—"Why, you confounded humbug, you're not blind." Beggar—"Not I, sir! If the card says I am, they must have given me the wrong one. I'm deaf and dumb."

GAMBLER LIFE IN CALIFORNIA.

Mr Bret Harte delivered a lecture in London recently, at the Steinway Hall, on "The Argonauts of '49," before a distinguished audience, who were as much interested in the lecturer as in the lecture. The Argonauts referred to by Mr Bret Harte were the discoverers of the gold mines in the Western Sierra, and California was the Colehis. He drew with a master's hand a picture of digger and gambler life. In San Francisco in those early days everybody played; and when a gambler died at the table, and three doctors who happened to be there examined him and pronounced that the cause of death was disease of the heart, the coroner, who was accidentally present, empanelled a jury from the other players, who returned a verdict in accordance with the evidence, and went on with the game. Female society was so scarce that even a gratuitously ugly face was followed by admirers. A captain's wife was escorted from a ball by every officer in the garrison, and observed that now at length she understood the meaning of the expression "the pleasure of your company." When a body cried in the theatre, everybody shouted "Encore." The miner lived a wilder life upon the hills. For clothes, his chief reliance was on the meal sack that robed his outer after it had nourished his inner man. His track was marked with empty oyster-cans; he met the native upon the common footing of beans. He was generous to a fault. The "sanitary" subscription, by which north and south benefited alike, was started in a Californian bar. "It is rough upon those poor fellows; I am sorry for them." "How much are you sorry?" "Four hundred dollars." The next man gave 1,300dol; in half an hour donations of 15,000dol were telegraphed to Washington, and the total subscription of California was 3,000,000dol gold. The miners were, above all, faithful to their partners, and loved them with a love passing that of women. It was dangerous to interfere in partners' quarrels, and once a stranger at a bar, who had not, so far as he knew, given offence to any person present, suddenly found himself upon the

floor and a tall Kentuckian standing over him with his revolver out. When the tall gentleman was courteously asked for explanation, he said "I ain't nothing against the stranger myself, but he said some just now against Quakers, and I want him to understand that my partner is a Quaker and a peaceful man." The Argonauts are not prone to sentimentalism, although they knew what home-sickness was; and when they dwelt in sarcasm their innuendo was grim and striking. Lynch law determined that horse-stealing should be punished by death; but once a jury took several minutes after retiring to consider their verdict, perhaps from humanity, perhaps because there had in consequence of the rigor of the law been a great mortality among the male population. The leader of the crowd put his head into the jury-room, and said he did not wish to hurry the gentlemen, but they wanted that room to lay out the corpse in. Mr Bret Harte traced to California such now world-wide slang as "dry up," "played out," "take stock," "and passing in your cheques." A miner said of a very forcible sermon that the preacher seem to him "to have taken every trick;" on the other hand, a teamster, blamed for his intemperate language, observed, "I don't call that swearing. You should hear Bill Jones exhort the impenitent mule." A barman, after a night in which pistol shots had freely punctuated the village revelry, appeared in the morning with his face bound up, but with a very happy expression, and observed that the bar was new, and that it was only on the previous evening "that the boys seemed to be getting really acquainted."—*Times*.

A precious carpet in San Francisco, California, had covered the floor of one of the rooms in the Mint, and had been used for five years. The dust of the precious metals used in the coinage had during that period daily fallen upon it, and when it was taken up the authorities had it cut in small pieces and burned in pans. The ashes were subjected to the process employed with mining dust, and they realised £500 sterling. Thus the carpet, after years of wear, was more precious than when it was new.



CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB RACE MEETING.

TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28th and 29th, 1880.

STEWARDS:

Messrs J. A. FRESHAW, D. MACKELLAR, P. L. DIGNAN, S. N. BROWN, H. F. WILLMOTT, J. SHERWOOD, S. M. DALGLISH, G. W. GOODGER, C. A. STACPOOLE, J. S. DEWAR, C. M'KENNA, D. A. JOLLY, J. DAWKINS, and JAS. SMITH.

JUDGE: Mr D. A. JOLLY. | STARTER: Mr JAS. DAWKINS.

CLERK OF COURSE: Mr JAMES SMITH.

PROGRAMME:

FIRST DAY: TUESDAY.

To start at 1.30 p.m. punctually.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP, of 30 sovs. Distance, one mile and a-half. Nominations, 21s; acceptances, 21s.

HACK RACE, of 10 sovs. For *bona fide* hacks that have never won an advertised prize of over 10 sovs. Distance, one mile. Entrance, 15s. No weight less than 9st. Post entry.

CROMWELL DERBY: a sweepstake of 5 sovs each, for acceptances, 2 sovs forfeit, with 50 sovs added by the Club. For three-year-olds bred in Vincent, Maniototo and Lake Counties. Derby weights—Colts, 8st 10lb; Fillies, 8st 5lb. No allowance for geldings. Second horse to receive 20 per cent. of the stakes, and the third to save his stake. Distance, one mile and a-half. (17 subs.)

FLYING HANDICAP, of 20 sovs. Distance, three-quarters of a mile. Nominations, 20s; acceptances, 10s.

SELLING STAKES, of 15 sovs. Distance, three-quarters of a mile heats. No weight less than 9st. Entrance, 25s. Winner to be sold for 15 sovs. Surplus, if any, to go to the Race Fund.

SECOND DAY: WEDNESDAY.

To start at 1.30 p.m. punctually.

MAIDEN PLATE, of 20 sovs. For all horses that have never won an advertised prize of over 10 sovs. Weight for age. Distance, one mile and a-half. Entrance, 30s.

SHORTS, of 10 sovs. For *bona fide* hacks. Distance, half-a-mile heats, without dismounting. Entrance, 15s. No weight less than 9st. Post entry.

JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP, of 40 sovs. Nomination, 42s; acceptance, 21s. Distance, two miles.

HOSPITAL RACE, for a prize to be handed over to the Cromwell Hospital. Rider of the winning horse to be presented with a whip. Entry, 2s 6d.

COUNTY PLATE, of 30 sovs. Entrance 42s. Weight for age. Distance, one mile and a-half. The winner to be sold (with his engagements) by public auction immediately after the race, and any surplus to go to the Race Fund. Winner to be sold for £50. If entered to be sold for £40, allowed 14lbs; for £30 allowed 28lbs; for £20 allowed 42lbs; for £10, allowed 56lbs.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP, of 15 sovs. For all beaten horses. Entrance, 20s. Distance, one mile.

Balance of sweep (£3) in the Cromwell Derby must be made good on night of general entry—Friday, 24th December.

Nominations for the Grand Stand and Flying Handicaps to be received by the Secretary not later than 8 p.m. on Friday, the 10th December. Weights to be declared in THE CROMWELL ARGUS of the 14th.

Acceptances to be sent in on or before the night of general entry—Friday, 24th December.

Nominations for the Jockey Club Handicap to be made on night of general entry—Friday, 24th December; weights to be declared on the evening of Tuesday, 28th December; acceptances to be sent in not later than 10 a.m. on Wednesday, the 29th.

General entries will be received up till 8 p.m. on Friday, 24th December.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Mares will be allowed 5lbs, and geldings, 3lbs.

No entries to be received for any of the above races except on this condition: That all disputes, claims and objections arising out of the racing shall be decided by the Stewards, or whom they may appoint. Their decision upon all points connected with the carrying out of the programme shall be final.

No qualification fee payable.

Entries will be received by the Secretary before 8 p.m. on Friday, 24th December, entrance-money enclosed, with name, age and pedigree (if any) of the horse, name of the owner, and colors of the rider.

Horses to be handicapped by the Stewards, or whom they may appoint.

Any Jockey riding except in the colors entered will be fined £2.

Five per cent. will be deducted from the gross amount of all stakes for expenses.

Horses walking over will receive 50 per cent. of the stakes.

The Cromwell Jockey Club Rules will be strictly enforced.

Any person entering a protest must deposit £2, and should such be deemed frivolous by the Stewards, the amount will be forfeited.

N.B.—No entries or acceptances will be received on any pretext whatever after the time specified.

S. N. BROWN, Hon. SECRETARY.

MURDER BY MAORIS.

Further particulars of the shooting of Moffatt by Natives are published. Moffatt, in company with Henare, left Taupo for a journey down the Wanganui, giving as his reason that he wanted to recover some property and money that he had left in the Tuhua district. The two travelled together without interruption until they arrived, on Sunday 7th inst., at the Native village of Motahanea, which is within a few miles of Taumarunui. Tuhua is situated at the spot where the northern branch of the Wanganui joins the parent stream. From the Natives of Motahanea Moffatt and his companion received no welcome. The Maoris appeared sullen, and told the travellers that they had no right there, and that the land was *tapped* to white men. The same night the Maoris sent a message to Taumarunui to inform the inhabitants of the arrival of Moffatt and Henare. The chiefs at Taumarunui at once held a meeting, at which it was decided that Moffatt should be shot, and they sent out an armed party of seven men, under the leadership of Ngatai Maunaku and his nephew, to carry the sentence into effect. The murderers formed an ambuscade in the fern by the side of the Maori tracks along which Moffatt and Henare would have to pass. On Monday the travellers resumed their journey, and when they came within about 10 yards of the spot, the war party rose up, and one of them immediately fired at Moffatt and wounded him. He staggered forward crying out "*Kati! kati!*" (stop stop), when a second shot was fired at him, and he fell on the track a dead man. Then his companion Henare, called on the party to shoot him also:—"Kill me as well as my white friend," he cried. But they would not do it, as they knew him well, and he was a Wanganui native. Henare came on to Taumarunui, but though he received no violence he met with no welcome. He asked for a canoe to take him down the river, and at length a lad volunteered to go with him. They at once started on their journey. They saw Manuaku, who did not know what had happened, and he appeared much grieved at the news. They also saw Kemp at Porikino, and by him were told to hasten down to Wanganui and inform the authorities. This they did without loss of time.

A letter received by the Government from Mete Kingi, in reference to the Tuhua tragedy, states that the murder of Moffatt was deliberately resolved on at a meeting of the committee of the district chiefs. A warrant has been issued by the Government for the arrest of the Natives concerned in the murder, and the warrant will be executed as speedily as possible, with due regard to existing complications. In reference to Moffatt, he was seen at Palmerston about six weeks ago. Moffatt then said he was going into the Tuhua district, having left £1500 there. He also stated that he had discovered a quartz reef in the locality, and had a stamper working on the spot.

A TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

It has been decided, we believe, to take steps almost immediately, under the powers conferred by the Electric Telegraph Amendment Act, passed last session, for establishing a system of telephone exchanges in the four cities and chief mercantile centres of the colony—Wellington, Auckland, Christchurch, and Dunedin. Under this system every office or house, whose owner desires it, will be connected by telephone with the central telegraph station, a small annual charge being made for the use of the wires and instruments. The telephonic wires will be so ordered that any two can be connected at the central office when required. The method of working will, therefore, be as follows:—A person (whom we will call A) desiring to communicate by telephone with another (let us say B) in the same town—also having telephonic connection—will press a button, which rings an electric bell in the central office. The attention of the operator being attracted, the name of the private office desired to be spoken with will be given to him, and he will at once "switch" the one wire on to the other, thus putting the two in telephonic communication, a bell being similarly rung in the office about to be spoken to in order to call attention there. This being effected, A and B can carry on a conversation as long as they require to. We presume some limit of duration will be fixed, and that the privilege of "talking against time" will be withheld from telephonists, that being the especial prerogative of our legislators. The convenience of this system of telephone communication to the mercantile

community should be very great, especially in the large saving of time it will effect by enabling people to speak to one another direct from opposite ends of a city, instead of having either to make personal visits or to write long explanatory messages, all involving much needless expense, and waste of time, and possibility of error and misunderstanding. We should imagine that very wise advantage will be taken of these facilities about to be offered, and that the experiment will prove a complete success. We understand that the Government have obtained a large supply of instruments of the most improved type, and will proceed at once to have them brought into practical use. Although the experiment is to be tried at first only in the four principal cities of New Zealand, we believe that if its success should turn out to be as great as is expected, the application of the system will probably be extended by degrees to all other places in the colony where there is likely to be sufficient business to pay for itself. The remarkable convenience of the plan lies in the fact that any office connected by telephone with the central office can communicate with any other office similarly connected. Every business man will see at a glance what a large amount of epistolary correspondence memorandum-writing, running about, waiting for personal interviews, breaking of appointments, loss of time, inconvenience, and annoyance generally will be saved by the introduction of this useful appliance furnished to us by modern science, and we feel sure that our announcement of its intended early adoption in this colony will be hailed with unanimous satisfaction.—*Evening Post.*

A NEW TARGET.

In connection with the forthcoming meeting of the New Zealand Rifle Association the *N. Z. Times* is informed that a target on an entirely new plan is to be adopted. At Wimbledon, the celebrated "Swiss" targets are used; after many trials and experiments with all kinds of material, it has been found that the most serviceable and economical target is a simple "screen of the required dimensions made of a 4-x-1 wooden frame with canvas stretched over it, upon which is a paper covering." The shot strikes and goes away into the butt, thus avoiding all splashes and recoils so dangerous to markers. At the Wimbledon meeting these targets work like a pair of window sashes. The lower being the "dummy," and covered with wire netting. When a shot is fired and strikes the target, a disc showing where the bullet has struck is booked on the netting, the "dummy" is raised out of the marker's butt, and the target lowered, when a small square of paper is pasted over the hole. The "dummy" is then lowered, and the target raised ready for another shot. This target requires an elaborate framework with balance weights, &c. But we think, from the description we now give of the new target, that it bids fair to surpass even the Wimbledon system. The targets are made like the Wimbledon, but are in pairs, attached by a central beam, in fact like two sails of a wind-mill. These work on a pivot; when one target is above ground, the other is of course below. The method of working is—When a shot strikes, the marker swings the target round into the trench below in which he stands, then points with a disc on the new target where the shot has struck, and covers the shot-hole in the target, which is at his feet, with a paper patch. Another shot, and the target is again swung round, and repaired, and so on. This pair of targets are attached by a screw pivot to a post sunk below the level of the ground, and should they require changing at any time, the nut of the bolt is unscrewed, and the two targets lifted off and replaced with new ones. The targets thus constructed are simple, light and efficient, and, above all, in these times of economy, very inexpensive. The credit of this invention is due to Mr Christie, the Government armorer, who is well-known at the prize meetings at Nelson as having had charge of the range and targets on those occasions.

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THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT.

The new President of the American Republic, General Garfield, is an example of what a man may become in the "Empire of the West." Like many other Presidents, General Garfield is of a humble origin, and owes his position to sheer force of character, combined with unimpeachable honesty. He commenced life as a farm laborer in Ohio, and having resolved to educate himself, he devoted all his savings to that purpose. When he had saved sufficient he entered college, and made such progress that in the course of a few years he became Professor of Greek and Latin in one of the Ohio colleges. He then turned his attention to politics, and was elected a member of Congress, and after some time was chosen Speaker of the House. The war with the South breaking out, he volunteered for active service in the Federal army, and without rising to any great extent, General Garfield always acquitted himself with credit. At this time, though looked upon as a rising man, he never occupied a foremost position in the ranks of his party. At the Chicago convention, when the Republican candidate was selected, he only received one vote or so at the commencement of the session—the selected of the party being Grant, Sherman, and Blaine, but, the result not proving satisfactory, Blaine and Sherman's party united in favor of Garfield. This gave him a majority, and the result pleasing his party, he was selected to oppose Major-General Hancock, the nominee of the Democratic party. The fight was a warm one, but Garfield's party having obtained a majority in the States of New York, he was declared elected, and the once farmer's boy now fills the high position of President of the United States.

FROM THE ALTAR TO THE SCAFFOLD.

On the 22nd of July a melancholy marriage ceremony was celebrated in the principal gaol of Madrid. Some days previously a young man named Alvarez Oliva and his mistress, with whom he had lived for several years, were tried for murder by the criminal tribunal in the Palacio de Justiz, and, having been proved guilty, were sentenced, the former to death by the garrote, the latter to 10 years' imprisonment with hard labor. Shortly after their condemnation they craved permission of the authorities to be united in matrimony ere the dread sentence of the law should be carried into effect, in order that their only child, a little girl five years old, should be legitimised. Their petition was granted, and the gaol chaplain pronounced the blessing of the Church upon their union on the morning of the day appointed for Alvarez' execution. Having duly exchanged rings and pronounced vows of mutual fidelity "till death should part them," they took an eternal and affecting leave of one another, after which the bride was removed to the scene of her future punishment, and the bridegroom was conducted to the condemned cell, where, having confessed his sins and received absolution, he was pinioned and conveyed to the scaffold. A few minutes later he had ceased to live.

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